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## TAG TEAM

Muralist Tara Nurse, 26, left, and James Alexander, 19, both of London, get ready to put the finishing touches on a graffiti piece Tuesday at Youth Opportunities Unlimited headquarters (332 Richmond St.) YOU recruited Nurse and other artists from Artfusion to help city youth give the centre's fourth-floor walls a personal touch. ANGELA MULLINS/METRO

# Rolling out the welcome wagon

## World Figure Skating Championships.

Downtown businesses setting sights on international visitors



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Forget making a good impression. We gotta make 'em love us.

With that in mind, downtown businesses are beginning to craft the blueprint for welcoming the world to London.

Upbeat, finely tuned storefronts with lots to offer inside will be key to sending the right message during the World Figure Skating Championships, running March 11 to 17 at Budweiser Gardens.

Downtown London is trying to make sure everyone is up to the task.

"You gotta put your best foot forward. That's kind of what we're asking them to do," said Janette MacDonald, the merchant group's general manager. "You have to pretend it's Christmas, and you've got a whole house full of company coming."

MacDonald — in conjunction with Tourism London and other partners — will be

screaming that message loud and clear on Wednesday as she briefs more than 100 local business owners on the skating deets.

Businesses are being encouraged to wash windows, plan special displays, offer extra-friendly service and, in the case of restaurants, consider special menus aimed at turning over tables as fast as possible.

Lisa Densky, owner of Polish Nail Bar (201 Dundas St.), is ready for the masses and has a few special promotions in mind.

Tourists aside, the championships are a good chance for downtown to shine in front of the world, something Densky hopes could turn the tide of negative attitudes about the core.

"There's still that (perception in) London where people don't want to go downtown, or say, 'There's nothing hap-

### Extra step

- Downtown London plans to keep businesses front and centre during the World Figure Skating Championships.
- They've rented a storefront on King Street, steps away from Budweiser Gardens. It will serve as a temporary concierge office, pointing tourists toward local deals, eateries and hot spots.

pening downtown,' and they haven't been downtown in 10 years," Densky said. "I want to make sure that people realize downtown is coming together. There are lots of great places that are opening up."

Part of Wednesday's briefing will include a breakdown of the demographic — generally women 50 and older — expected for the skating event, MacDonald said.

That's an important part of the formula for cashing in on some of the event's economic impact — estimated at nearly \$30 million.

"There's people walking the streets with lots and lots of money," MacDonald said. "Businesses have to give them an opportunity to spend it."

## Little lost Lambie

Canadians are rallying behind a London toddler whose favourite plush toy is MIA. PAGE 2

## Wheels on fire

Can't wait for the new fleet of cars to roll off the belt? Neither can we. From the new-generation Dodge Viper to the sassy Hyundai Veloster, Metro presents the 2013 Auto Preview. PAGES 11-33



# Tuning in a new approach

## Orchestra London.

Non-profit trying to lure more donors, supporters



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Orchestra London is making a bigger push to secure corporate sponsorships and donations as it nibbles away at a long-standing deficit of nearly \$1 million.

The effort comes after the organization saw profits plummet to \$5,330 reported June 30 from \$67,784 at the end of fiscal year 2011.

While sponsorships and community donations increased year-over-year — totaling \$776,906 at the end of June — a stepped-up fundraising approach is part of the non-profit's revamped business plan, said Joe O'Neill, who took over as board chairman in November.

The approach, he said, will mean more office calls to potential investors.

"We're looking at mining all the revenue sources in the community," O'Neill said.

O'Neill's also been trying to lure old sponsors back. Despite gains during the last fiscal year, the orchestra lost \$80,000 in corporate sponsorships — \$60,000 of which is attributed to two big companies

### Dollars and cents

- Ticket sales, totalling \$1.1 million in the fiscal year that ended June 30, make up the lion's share of the organization's revenue.
- A \$482,688 stipend from the city plays second fiddle in the revenue column.
- The biggest expense is musicians, coming in at \$1.2 million last fiscal year.
- The deficit on June 30 stood at \$981,508.

pulling out, O'Neill said.

Officials have been in talks with one of the businesses, trying to bring it back on board.

Having a new performing arts centre in the city — an initiative the orchestra is backing through a \$45-million fundraising campaign — would go a long way toward firming up money for operations, the board chair said.

Music London, a task force spearheaded by the orchestra, has requested \$10 million from the city for the proposed venue. A new arts centre would replace the orchestra's existing home, Centennial Hall, which O'Neill says is "unsuitable" and makes selling tickets for performances "a challenge."



## It's just a bag of tricks! Winter's coming back

Canada Post mail carrier Ryan Spong, 40, of London, walks down Wharfedale Road in the rain on Tuesday morning. The local weather forecast calls for a high of 13 C on Wednesday, with periods of rain, before snow flurries hit Thursday and Friday. The temperature is expected to drop big time, with highs of -4 C and -6 C, respectively. JOHN MATISZ/METRO

# Support pours in after blind toddler loses favourite stuffed toy

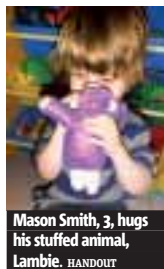
A London toddler is missing his best buddy.

Mason Smith lost his favourite stuffed animal, a lamb named Lambie, on Sunday afternoon.

Since then, his mother, Ashlee Smith, has been looking for the security piece.

Mason, 3, was born with underdeveloped optic nerves and is blind.

Mason always had Lambie at his side, Smith says. He took the small furry friend everywhere, caring for it daily. As recently as Sunday morning, Mason added a new jacket to Lambie's attire after his mom finished sewing



Mason Smith, 3, hugs his stuffed animal, Lambie. HANDOUT

a mini purple hoodie for the toy.

"We were going to go to the mall," said Smith, retracing her steps

before realizing the toy was nowhere to be seen.

"We got on the 14 High-bury (city bus). I had my hands full, I thought he had a hold

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on Lambie. It wasn't until we had already left (the Walmart at White Oaks mall) that I thought, 'Oh my goodness, he doesn't have his lamb anymore.'"

Canadians have rallied behind the Smiths. As of Tuesday afternoon, a heartbreaking Kijiji ad posted by Smith had been viewed more than 35,000

### Special edition of two

## Toy company offers to replace lost Lambie

An American toy company is coming to the aid of a three-year-old London boy days after his favourite stuffed animal went missing.

Douglas Company, based

out of New Hampshire, had discontinued production of the toy, but the company has offered to restart production and mail two stuffed toy lambs to Ashlee Smith and her son, Mason.

"It's amazing," Smith told AM980 Tuesday night. "Mason was pretty happy."

AM980/AM980.CA

## Council. Decision on parkway fix put off

City council has postponed a decision that would address noise complaints from people living along Veterans Memorial Parkway.

Council voted 9-6 Tuesday to have engineers report back to a committee with various options for handling the problem. A public-participating meeting will also be scheduled.

Staff had recommended

spending \$300,000 next year to address deficiencies in an existing sound berm. Coun. Bill Armstrong, who represents the area, is leading the charge for construction of a \$1.7 million noise-barrier wall.

People deserve the opportunity "to open their windows and enjoy the weather" without listening to truck traffic rumbling through, he said.

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### Risk of flooding

## City advises residents to evacuate

Due to the risk of flooding, the City of London advised residents on Front Street and part of High Street on Tuesday to evacuate residences in low-lying areas close to the river.

City staff spoke with residents at 6 Front St. and 1 High St. and left letters

where the occupants were not home.

The city said it will continue to follow protocols related to flood control mitigation.

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### Alternate accommodations

The city referred residents who need to find alternate accommodations to the Red Cross and said in a release it will advise residents when it is safe to return.

### Bonus game

## 2nd Price Is Right Live show added

Due to public demand, Budweiser Gardens has added a second Price Is Right Live show March 23. Tickets for the 4 p.m. show go on sale Friday at 10 a.m. They will be available at the Bud Gardens box office, by phone at 1-866-455-2849, and online at budweisergardens.com. METRO

Lambie's whereabouts. JOHN MATISZ/METRO



# Scores of dead bodies dumped in Syrian city

**Nationwide violence.** Various sources put the number killed on Tuesday at around 160

The bodies of at least 65 people were found in Syria's northern city of Aleppo Tuesday as the government and rebels blamed each other for the mass killing.

The bodies, almost all men in their 20s and 30s, were discovered in the contested neighbourhood of Bustan al-Qasr, according to Rami Abdul-Rahman, director of the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights. Intense clashes between rebels and government troops have raged in the district since opposition forces launched an offensive on Aleppo in July.

Abdul-Rahman said the identities of the dead were unknown and it was not clear who was behind the killings. A government official told The Associated Press that

the dead were residents of Bustan al-Qasr.

Syrian state TV said the men were killed by members of Jabhat al-Nusra, an al-Qaida-linked group. It said the men were killed after they demanded members of the group to leave their areas.

An activist group, the Local Co-ordination Committees, put the number of bodies at 80. It blamed government forces for the killing.

The same day, a bomb wounded Abdul-Razzak Qtini, once governor of the province of Hama, as he was in his car, said Abdul-Rahman and a neighbour of Qtini.

Earlier Tuesday, rebels stormed a government intelligence complex in the east, freeing at least 11 people held in a prison there, activists said.

Regime warplanes also carried several airstrikes on rebel positions in restive towns and villages around Damascus, the Observatory said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



## Protesters demand blood for blood in India

Scores of protesters gathered near India's Parliament on Tuesday demanding the death penalty for six men accused in the fatal gang rape of a young woman on a bus in New Delhi last month. The protesters carried placards saying, "Give us Justice, Hang the Rapists," and shouted slogans before conducting a mock hanging of the men who are facing trial in a special court in New Delhi. Meanwhile, India's Supreme Court on Tuesday rejected a petition to move the trial out of New Delhi. The petition argued that the men would not get a fair trial because of the charged atmosphere in the capital. **ALTAF QADRI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Nightclub. Cheap flares linked to lethal blaze

Penny-pinching by a band known for its onstage pyrotechnic displays may have cost more than 230 people their lives at a nightclub in southern Brazil, according to a police inspector leading the investigation into this weekend's deadly blaze.

"The flare lit was for outdoor use only, and the people who lit them know that," Inspector Marcelo Arigony told reporters at a news conference Tuesday. "They chose to buy those because they were cheaper than those that can be used indoors."

Arigony said that the outdoor flares cost a mere \$1.25 a piece, compared to the \$35 price tag for an indoor flare.

Police have said the club's ceiling was covered with an insulating foam made from a combustible material.

A malfunctioning fire extinguisher was not legal, Arigony said, and the club's operating licence had expired in August.

"Any child could have seen that this establishment should not have been open," he said.

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# Head of Egypt's military fears nation may collapse



Protesters in Tahrir Square celebrate the capture of an armoured vehicle taken during clashes with security forces in Cairo. **AMR NABIL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Burying their dead from Egypt's wave of violence, residents of the coastal city of Port Said vented their fury at their Islamist president on Tuesday, virtually declaring revolt against his rule.

Meanwhile, the head of the military warned Egypt may collapse under the weight of its turmoil.

Gen. Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi's grave comments, his first since the crisis began, appeared to push for reconciliation and a solution to the protests and riots across much of the country the past six days.

His words fall heaviest on President Mohammed Morsi, who has failed to contain the unrest as protesters defied his declaration of a month-long state of emergency and curfew in Port Said and two neighbouring cities.

At least 60 people have been killed and hundreds injured since Thursday in clashes between police and protesters. Citizens are raging over what they call Islamist moves to monopolize power and the government's failure to address the country's many woes.

El-Sissi signalled the military would not move to put down protesters, saying troops are in a "grave predicament," forced to balance between "avoiding confrontation" with citizens and protecting state institutions.

In Cairo on Tuesday, rock-throwing protesters clashed with police firing tear gas for another day in battles that escalated after nightfall near Tahrir Square. The mayhem forced the nearby U.S. Embassy to suspend public services.

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### Heart of resistance

Port Said's violence touched off Saturday when a court issued death sentences to 21 people over a bloody soccer riot a year ago.

- The verdicts were seen by residents as unfairly targeting Port Said.
- Many believe Morsi is trying to sideline the city because of a tradition of defying authority.

### Kazakhstan

#### 20 die in crash of Canadian plane

A Canadian-made airplane carrying at least 20 people crashed Tuesday in heavy fog near Kazakhstan's principal city, Almaty, killing all on board.

State news agency Kazinform cites an emergency official at the site as saying the plane was initially denied permission to land due to poor visibility.

The plane made a second approach, but lost its bearings and crashed a few kilometres from the airport. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Pakistan

#### One slain in attack on polio workers

Gunmen on a motorcycle shot and killed a police officer protecting polio workers during a UN-backed vaccination campaign in northwestern Pakistan on Tuesday, police said.

Some Islamic militants oppose the campaign, accusing health workers of acting as spies for the U.S. and claiming the vaccine is intended to sterilize Muslim children.

In a separate incident in the region, a man wounded a polio worker with an axe. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## India tour. Tories grilled over \$1-million transport

The Conservative government is defending the \$1-million cost of flying armoured vehicles to India for Prime Minister Stephen Harper, saying it was a security decision by the RCMP.

Harper's use of an armoured car and an SUV bearing Canadian licence plates during his November tour prompted New Democrats to formally inquire about the cost.

The final tally was produced this week as parliamentarians returned after six weeks off.

It cost a little more than \$1 million for the use of the massive Canadian Forces C-17

Globemaster transport, which logged 48.5 hours of airtime flying the two vehicles to India.

Following a full assessment, "the RCMP determined there were no appropriate vehicles available in India," the government said.

An Indian government official confirmed during Harper's visit that it had offered an armoured Mercedes Benz for his use.

Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird responded that India has lost two prime ministers to assassination in the last 25 years. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Landslide. Rescue halted for buried quarry workers

The search was suspended Tuesday night for two Quebec quarry workers who are missing after an apparent landslide swept several vehicles into a pit nearly 100 metres deep.

Two trucks and an excavator were trapped in huge mounds of loose gravel at the bottom of the snowy crater in L'Epiphanie, Que., just east of Montreal.

A third worker managed to climb out of the excavator after the vehicle tumbled down the steep embankment. He suffered from frostbite, shock and minor injuries and was

whisked to safety by helicopter, according to provincial police spokesman Benoit Richard.

Specialists working with rescue crews recommended suspending the search until Wednesday morning, Richard said. Search teams needed to be able to see how the gravel in the pit might shift while they work.

Repentigny police spokesman Bruno Marier says rescue workers planned to bring heavy search equipment down to the site in the morning.

Police could not explain the cause of the landslide.

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# Man's best friend to

## Release the hounds.

Metro reporter discovers first-hand what it's like to be buried under snow



**MATT KIELTYKA**  
Metro in Vancouver

The only sound I hear is that of my own body breathing in and out.

It's been that way since I climbed into a snug hole carved into the side of Revelstoke Mountain Resort in B.C., and flashed a "thumbs up" sign to ski patrol.

As I lay there in the fetal position, the patroller covered my one escape with large slabs of snow and ice.

"Are you OK? I'm going to fill in the cracks with snow now," he says.

The outside world is silent for the next 15 minutes, although everyone on the surface says they keep trying to communicate with me.

I can't tell.

Today, I'm put in the role of an avalanche victim.

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Al Roberts and his faithful companion Sadie, a seven-year-old Belgian-shepherd cross, bide their time in the kennel on top of the ski hill when Roberts hears "go ahead" over the static on his radio.

Sadie knows it's time to work.

She leaps out of her cage and barks excitedly as Roberts steps into his ski bindings and starts descending the mountain.

In a few minutes, they'll be at the site of a simulated avalanche where a "victim" is buried underneath a pile of snow.

To the naked eye, it's impossible to tell where I'm buried.

Sadie impatiently paces



Canadian Avalanche Rescue Dog Association's Sadie pokes her head through the snow during a rescue simulation in Revelstoke, B.C., on Jan. 8.  
MATT KIELTYKA/METRO IN VANCOUVER

back and forth as they reach the bottom of the run.

"Are you ready to go to work?" Roberts works Sadie up into a frenzy. "Search!"

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The sound of my breathing is joined by a faint rustle overhead.

Although I'm not in real danger, my spirit soars on a gust of optimism as rustling turns to scratching, and scratching turns to the distinct sound of paws digging through snow and hurried panting.

Bits of snow come free and sprinkle down on me as the sounds get louder.

Suddenly an en-

Sadie, along with her owner Al Roberts, have been CARDAs validated for five years, and in that time, they've honed their rescue skills.

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tire block comes down and I see Sadie's wet nose poke through the opening.

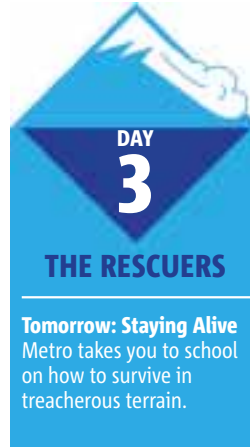
She barks, grabs the old, raggedy sweater I'm holding in my left hand and starts tugging at it, helping me as I claw my way out of the cold prison with my free arm.

Roberts, his boots crunching on fresh powder as he races toward us, keeps Sadie motivated.

"What did you find? There's a good girl, good girl."

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It was a minute and 30 seconds from the time Roberts shouted, "Search!" to the moment Sadie homed in on my scent and started digging for me.



Avalanche control forecaster Troy Leahy and his rescue dog, Penny, are two of the most

## Exclusively online

"She's a total lifesaver and obviously a pro" — go to [metronews.ca/rescuepuppy](http://metronews.ca/rescuepuppy) for the video of our reporter being dug out of the snow by Sadie the Revelstoke rescue dog.



**Sadie**  
MATT KIELTYKA/METRO IN VANCOUVER



Veteran Revelstoke Search and Rescue volunteers Zuzana Driediger, right, and Buck Corrigan say self-rescue is the norm when avalanches hit in the backcountry. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO IN VANCOUVER

## Search and rescue volunteers

When a fatal avalanche strikes in the B.C. backcountry, it's search and rescue volunteers who face the grim task of recovering the bodies.

Situated in what is known as the "powder belt," and boasting the most vertical ski resort in North America, Revelstoke is home to a huge contingent of highly experienced search and rescuers.

Buck Corrigan, a veteran manager at Revelstoke Search and Rescue (SAR) who helps co-ordinate a team of about 60, says despite the high seasonal risk, avalanche calls to his office

aren't that common. Thanks to the proliferation of knowledge and more people than ever carrying avalanche kits, he gets perhaps one or two per season.

"We went to one last year and it was over before we got there," he says. "The local group had done a self-rescue, and there was one fatality and by the time we got there it was over. They had recovered the fatality."

"In this part of the world, it's just accepted that you don't go out without a certain amount of equipment."

When an avalanche call does

come in, an automated call gets sent out to the experts, day or night, who then rally at a muster station. The SAR team will include a technician to do a risk assessment, paramedics, avalanche rescue dogs, and a helicopter and heli-sling technicians.

Zuzana Driediger is a part-time Revelstoke SAR volunteer with 20 years' experience. She says some calls are more stressful than others — such as the Size 3.5 avalanche (out of a zero-to-five scale) that killed two men in 2010 while 200 snowmobilers were attending an



# the rescue



familiar faces for skiers at Revelstoke Mountain Resort in B.C. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO IN VANCOUVER

## pros at keeping calm in crisis

### Quoted



**"You kind of accept it that that's part of the game in the mountains."**

Zuzana Driediger, Revelstoke Search and Rescue volunteer, acknowledges fatalities can take a toll in her line of work

annual competition at nearby Boulder Mountain.

She recalled that at one point crews had to stop a man from building a bonfire and pouring gas on it, because the smoke was impeding rescue helicopters. She spent three

days on the scene with her avalanche rescue dog, Hero, who used his keen sense of smell to help ensure the site was clear and no one was still buried.

"I personally try to stay calm and collected and just look at the big picture and focus on

safety first and what's important," she said of how she copes in a crisis.

"At the time I'm not very emotional. I just focus on the task at hand, but sometimes, yeah, it does affect you later on if there's fatalities involved, but you kind of accept it that that's part of the game in the mountains."

Emergency Management BC reimburses all volunteer search and rescue groups for the costs of each rescue, while community organizations help raise money for new equipment.

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### K9 heroes

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## The CARDA dogs of Revelstoke

### 1 Penny

Four-year-old Labrador/golden retriever cross

**Handler:** Tory Leahy

**Bio:** While Leahy, an avalanche control forecaster at Revelstoke Mountain Resort, is out ensuring the ski hills are safe for the public, Penny usually isn't too far behind.

### 2 Hero

Five-year-old German shepherd

**Handler:** Zuzana Driediger

**Bio:** As part of the Revelstoke search and rescue team, Hero's most notable mission was responding to the aftermath of the 2010 avalanche at Boulder Mountain during a snowmobiling event that involved more than 200 sledders.

### 3 Sadie

Seven-year-old Belgian shepherd cross

**Handler:** Al Roberts

**Bio:** A well-trained dog with a keen nose, Sadie is also a fan favourite on the slopes, especially when surprised skiers watch her jump onto a chair lift on her own.

## About CARDA

Born out of a loose, but long-standing partnership between the RCMP, Parks Canada and the ski industry,

the Canadian Avalanche Rescue Dog Association officially formed in 1982 as a non-profit volunteer organization. There are currently 28 validated CARDA teams (made up of an owner and his/her dog)

active in British Columbia, Alberta and Yukon Territory. Teams must be re-validated each year and must attend a winter training course at least every second year.

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## Kerry. Senate OK's Obama's pick for top diplomatic job

Sen. John Kerry has spent the past four years acting as an unofficial envoy for President Barack Obama, tamping down diplomatic fires around the globe. Now it's official: the U.S. Senate overwhelmingly confirmed Kerry to replace Hillary Clinton as the top American diplomat.

Tuesday's 94-3 vote to confirm Kerry as secretary of state marked his re-emergence on the world stage, eight years after he went down in defeat in his bid to unseat President George W. Bush.

Both Republicans and Democrats called Kerry the ideal successor to Clinton, who is stepping down after four years. Kerry, 69, the son of a diplomat and a decorated Vietnam veteran, had pined for the job but was passed over in 2009. He instead became chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and Obama tasked him with smoothing fractious ties with Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Kerry could be sworn in as early as Wednesday.

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## McCain on immigration. U.S. senator blows hot, then cold, then hot again

Three years ago, as mid-term congressional elections approached in the United States, John McCain blamed home invasions and murders in the American southwest on illegal immigrants, urging federal officials to build "the danged fence" to keep them out.

Apparently nervous about a primary challenge from an anti-immigration Tea Party candidate eyeing his job, McCain's sudden hard line represented a dramatic turnaround from the Arizona senator's record in Congress, where he championed unsuccessful immigration reform bills in 2007.

What a difference a presidential election makes — one in which the overwhelming majority of Hispanics, the country's fastest-growing voting bloc, cast their ballots for Barack Obama, despite the president's own inaction on immigration reform.

McCain is now serving as one of the Republicans' most vocal proponents for a sweeping immigration overhaul. He was one of the key architects of a bipartisan deal reached in



Sen. John McCain GETTY IMAGES

the U.S. Senate this week that calls for a path to citizenship for millions of the country's illegal immigrants.

As Obama prepared Tuesday to unveil details of the White House's immigration reform proposals in Nevada, McCain was front and centre on the morning talk-show circuit, emphasizing the urgent need to address the issue.

"We cannot have, forever, 11 million people living in the shadows in this country," said the former Republican presidential candidate.

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# Timbuktu: Where books burned and music was banned

**Priceless documents destroyed.** Extremists terrorized this city, now in control of Malian and French troops

Timbuktu, the fabled desert city where retreating Muslim extremists destroyed ancient manuscripts, was a centre of Islamic learning hundreds of years before Columbus landed in the Americas.

It is not known how many of the priceless documents were destroyed by al Qaeda-linked fighters who set ablaze a state-of-the-art library built with South African funding to conserve the brittle, camel-hide bound manuscripts.

News of the destruction came on Monday from the mayor of Timbuktu.

Tens of thousands more manuscripts — no one knows how many — were kept at other libraries and private homes in Timbuktu. Some are believed to have been hidden from the Islamist fighters, who began their desecration of the city by systematically razing the 15th-century mausoleums of several Sufi saints in July.

Islamist extremists decimated tourism in 2011 when three Europeans were taken hostage, frightening away visitors. In April 2012, Tuareg nationalist rebels seized control of Timbuktu from government troops. A day later



A 16-year-old boy sings verses from crumbling ancient Islamic manuscripts in a mud-walled house in Timbuktu, Mali, in this 2004 photo. Islamist extremists have torched a library containing historic manuscripts, destroying an unknown number of the priceless documents. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Islamist insurgents elbowed their way into the city. They banned music, insisted women cover themselves and began carrying out public executions and amputations.

On Tuesday, Timbuktu was in control of French and Malian troops, including some

250 French paratroopers who dropped from the sky.

The extremists melted into the desert without firing a shot. Townspeople were jubilant at the city's liberation from intolerant Islamist extremists.

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### French gay marriage

## Parliament debating bill

The French government has presented a divisive plan to legalize gay marriage and adoption to parliament for debate.

President Francois Hollande's "marriage for everyone" pledge has seen hundreds of thousands of supporters and opponents take to the Paris streets in separate demonstrations in the past two weeks.

Concessions have already been made to opponents, with plans to replace "father" and "mother" with "parent 1" and "parent 2" in official documents being ditched for straight couples.

The bill is set to be debated over two weeks.

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## Hanging on. Queen not likely to abdicate: Experts

The spectacle of Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands stepping down in April at age 75 so her 45-year-old son can become king is sparking some speculation in Britain about whether Queen Elizabeth II might follow suit so her eldest son, Prince Charles, can start his reign.

Not likely, experts say. Commentators noted that Elizabeth, 86, seems to be in excellent health and has said in the past that she regards being queen as a "job for life." Charles, 64, has been heir to the throne since he was three.

Robert Lacey, who has written several books about the British monarchy, said Beatrix's decision "would reinforce her (Elizabeth's) feeling that the Dutch don't know what monarchy is about," he



Queen Elizabeth is not expected to step aside anytime soon to let Prince Charles, right, begin his reign, experts say. GETTY IMAGES

said. "The crown is a job for life in the British system."

Lacey said the idea of abdicating is particularly unpleasant for Elizabeth because her uncle, King Edward VIII, abdicated in 1936 so he could marry Wallis Simpson.

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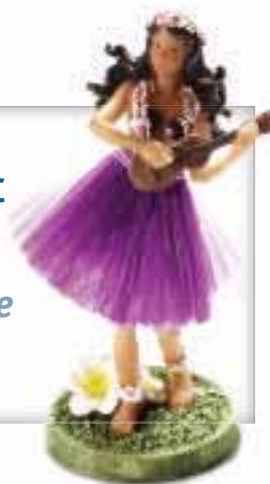


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## A BlackBerry is born. In New York City, RIM is set for the big reveal

After several technical blunders, two unexpected delays and one major shakeup in its leadership, BlackBerry-maker Research In Motion is about to raise the curtain for its new smartphone devices in hopes that consumers share the excitement.

The unveiling of the phones and operating system on Wednesday marks the start of an advertising blitz that will stretch to social media, the Super Bowl and beyond as RIM tries to re-

gain the cool factor that was once firmly in its grasp.

If all goes according to plan, the event will also mark the end of a troublesome 12 months that has seen RIM try to stay afloat while its future was constantly in question by outsiders, and its stock price tumbled to the lowest level in about a decade.

While the first hurdles to overcome on Wednesday are the opinions of tech analysts and investor reaction, the true measure of success — actual sales of the phones — is still weeks away.

As a crowd of thousands gathers Wednesday at Pier 36, a massive entertainment venue on the shores of Manhattan, chief executive Thorsten Heins will step onto the stage holding the BlackBerry that has been at once considered the company's last hope, but also its biggest hurdle. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



A prototype of the new BlackBerry 10 operating system seen last fall.  
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Live coverage

More on today's RIM launch at metronews.ca



## Oscar's Ontario connection. This year, a Canadian firm is in charge of little gold men

Every year at the Academy Awards, the big question is: Who does the Oscar go to?

This year, there's a new one to trip up trivia buffs: Where does the Oscar come from?

For the first time in its venerable history, Hollywood's most prestigious accolade is being manufactured under the watch of a Canadian company.

St. Regis Crystal of Markham, Ont., purchased Oscar's Chicago-based manufacturer R.S. Owens last December and with it, R.S. Owens' 30-year tradition of making the internationally recognized gold-plated statues.

Company decisions now come from southern Ontario, but the Oscars are still being made at the Chicago foundry, says St. Regis vice president Jeff Firkser.

"We purchased the company for its talent and for the stature they have in Chicago," Firkser says of R.S. Owens, which also makes trophies for the Emmy Awards and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Awards. "This particular award is a cast award and it's not going to change. It's going to stay as it is. It's going to be done there."



An Oscar statue handed out last year.  
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That guarantee was key to sealing the new partnership, says the president of R.S. Owens, Scott Siegel.

Firkser says he had never seen an Oscar up close until taking over R.S. Owens. "The weight of it is quite surprising. It's a lot heavier than it looks," he says of the trophy.

At its core is britannium, a pewter-like alloy that is poured by hand into a steel mould. The figure is ground, sanded and polished, and then plated several times — first with copper, then nickel, then silver and finally, heavy 24-karat gold.

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### Roast renaming

#### Give that blonde a makeover

The days of ordering up a tall blonde at your local Starbucks may be drawing to an end. The company is looking for suggestions to rename its blonde roast, currently called Veranda Blend, through a Canada-wide online contest that runs until Feb. 10. A few of the suggestions so far: Smooth Silky Blonde, Temp-tress, Steamy and Morning Kiss. On the not-so-racy side of things, there's Yellow Mellow, Winter Flurry, Morning Light and Liquid Gold. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

### Market Minute

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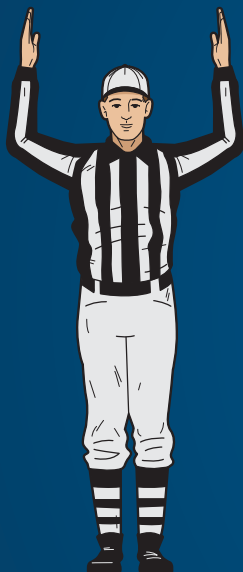
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# GO LEGLESS AND GET AHEAD THIS YEAR



**JUST SAYIN'**  
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mean you have multiple opportunities to slough off the old year — like the skin of a snake — and begin anew.

And wouldn't you know? Coming up, it's the Year of the Snake for followers of the lunar calendar, on Feb. 10.

The snake is the sixth sign in the Chinese zodiac, and snake years happen in intervals of 12. Last year was a dragon year, which you might argue is a more impressive member of the reptile family, but don't sell the snake short.

**Never stab a snake in the back, because a snake never forgets and always gets the last word.**

The snake (in short) is good at and for business. This year is specifically a year of the water snake, which means, according to various Chinese astrologers, those born under the sign are influential, insightful, intellectual, motivated and determined to succeed. Snakes keep to themselves, don't talk much, and are smarter than you. When you're together in the boardroom, you really want to know what they're thinking, but haven't the faintest idea.

Snakes make great scientists and investigators. They're relentless.

Never stab a snake in the back, because a snake never forgets and always gets the last word.

What's sauce for the snake is swamp water for the Tiger, i.e. yours truly. Tigers and snakes are on completely different paths. If you have a snake in the house, you will never go hungry. If you have a tiger curled up in front of the fireplace, you're safe. Just don't expect them to get along.

Knowing your snakes from your tigers can be useful for making bold predictions about the coming year. According to geomancer and philosopher Paul Ng of Richmond Hill, Ont., the Year of the Snake will be a good year for water-oriented businesses such as fishing, but also a good year for metal and earth industries, such as real estate, except in Scarborough, Mississauga and Vancouver. It will be a bad year for communications and the Internet, so unload that Apple stock.

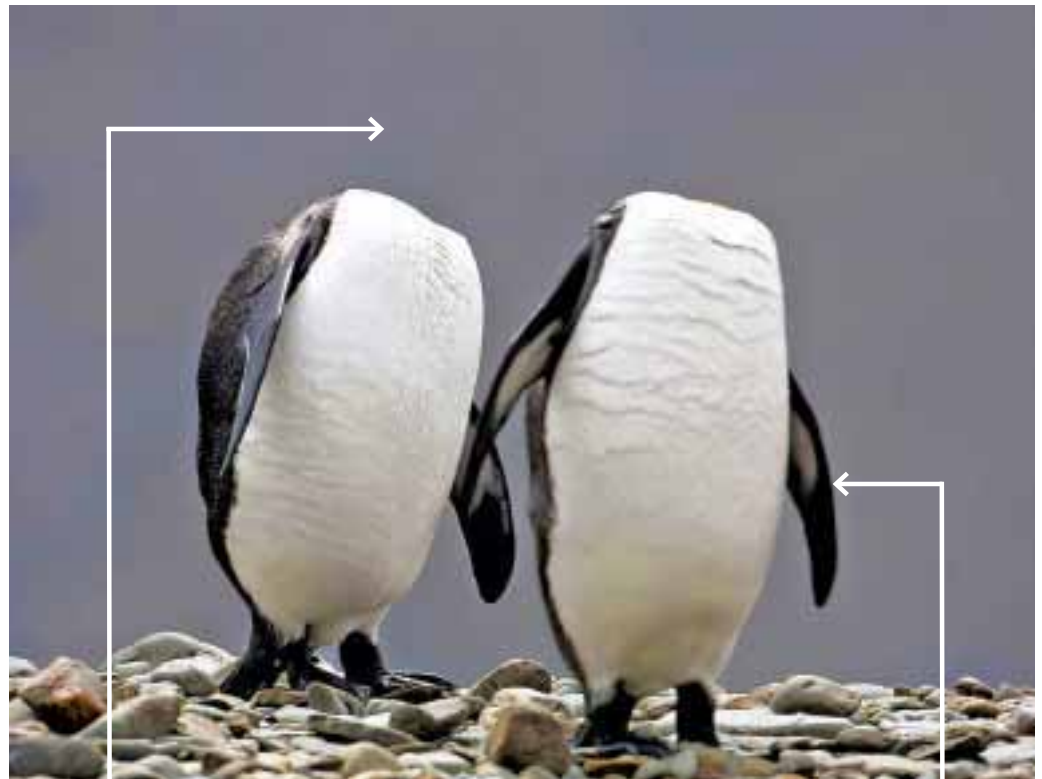
(This is a good time to issue the following disclaimer: do not, under any circumstances, make any decisions based on opinions expressed in this column, ever. Remember that it's written by a tiger, not a snake.)

Look, if you're still not ready to make your new year's resolutions, just give the snake a pass and go to the next new year on the horizon, Nowruz, or New Day, the ancient and durable Persian New Year, which is celebrated on the spring equinox, March 21. Ancient because it goes back to 550 BC and durable because it has survived even the Ayatollahs' attempt to suppress it.

And every year, in every land, and for everyone, what's old is new again. Gung Hay Fat Choy, when it comes!

It takes a real snake to make a bold new year's prediction. GETTY IMAGES

# Heads off to you, Pingu



PAUL GOLDSTEIN/EXODUS/REX FEATURES

## Wildlife photography

### Not a good time to lose one's head

It appears that penguins can be camera-shy, too.

Wildlife photographer Paul Goldstein took this amusing image of two seemingly headless king penguins at St. Andrews Bay on the British overseas territory of South Georgia. As it turned out, the flightless birds were bending their heads backwards using their double-jointed necks.

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## Photographer's viewpoint

**"Initially I was just glad to be able to isolate a couple of these to photograph. It is so difficult normally as there are a quarter of a million others to clutter the background."**

Paul Goldstein, photographer and tour guide for travel company Exodus

## Never get a head

### Keeping composure is tough to do

The London, England-based photographer recalls his encounter with the playful pair.

"One penguin had reverted to normal by the time I got the camera up but then it hid its head again, and its mate did it, too," Goldstein said. "I just managed to keep the camera still enough as I was laughing so much — to them it is a perfectly normal manoeuvre, but to me, not so."

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## South Georgia Island

- **Location.** Sits 1,390 kilometres to the east of the Falkland Islands.
- **Population.** Approximately 2.23 million pairs of king penguins, with numbers rising. No human population.
- **Life.** Cold, highly-oxygenated waters promote marine life. Krill, the shrimp-like crustaceans at the base of the food chain, thrive here.



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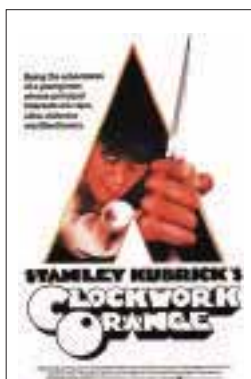
Its a 11, in Windsor, and 1 degree here in #LDNONT that is just messed up



# Cineplex resurrects classic films in high-def

Some films cited as classics can be enjoyed as historical artifacts, more appreciated for their aesthetics and less for their urgent, contemporary effect. But the spate of motion pictures selected to be screened as part of Cineplex's fourth annual The Great Digital Film Festival are rare in that they are indeed landmark movies and play as good today — if not better — than they did in their respective eras. Running at select Cineplex theatres from Feb. 1 to 7, the Great Digital Film Festival programmers are spotlighting sumptuous new high-def prints. Here are a few of Metro's primo picks.

CHRIS ALEXANDER  
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## A Clockwork Orange (1971)

As disturbing and viscerally alive as ever, Kubrick's razor-sharp satire is a must see big-screen experience. Malcolm McDowell is ultraviolence personified, Wendy Carlos' music still chills and the director's trademark dissonance has never been more prominent.

Exclusively online

Cynthia Loyst, a host of InnerSPACE, breaks down genres you don't want to miss at metronews.ca.



## Jaws (1975)

The film that sparked the template for the contemporary Hollywood blockbuster, Spielberg's iconic and terrifying chomp on Peter Benchley's killer shark book is a perfect film, from stem to stern (of the Orca, natch).

From the performances (Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw, Richard Dreyfuss) to John Williams' double bass note driven score, JAWS is an epic, genre defying gem.



## An American Werewolf in London (1981)

"Stay clear of the moors." A wiser warning never spoken in cinema and it's a shame the heroes of John Landis's maverick comedic shocker don't heed it. Then again, if they did we wouldn't have this visionary blend of humour and horror; part tragedy, part love story and jolted by Rick Baker's Oscar winning prosthetic man-to-wolf transformation sequences that have never, ever been bettered. This writer, for one, cannot wait to hear that blood-curdling howl screaming digitally from the screen.



## Raiders of the Lost Ark (1981)

The first and best of the Indiana Jones films, this mega-hit is another rousing, vintage Spielberg adventure classic, one that demands to be seen on a gigantic screen.

Who needs 3D when that monstrous boulder comes crashing through the cave in the films' much copied opening sequence? This one is a generational right of passage. Take the kids.



## Casino (1995)

The same creative team behind the much-lauded gangster drama Goodfellas (Scorsese and writer Nicholas Pileggi) re-teamed for this sprawling look at the dark side of mafia-ruled Las Vegas circa the '60s and '70s and though it's been called inferior to its predecessor, a second (or third or fourth) look might change some tunes. Robert DeNiro's best performance bumps up against Joe Pesci's mania, but the real treat is Sharon Stone as a playgirl who malfunctions with Shakespearean aplomb. Amazing pop music score too.

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Bradley Cooper. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

## Bradley Cooper back pedals on Armstrong movie

Despite telling BBC News earlier this month that he'd be up for starring in a J.J. Abrams-produced biopic on disgraced cyclist Lance Armstrong, Oscar-nominee Bradley Cooper insists he's not interested.

"Oh my God, that's so nuts," Cooper tells Access Hollywood, adding that he "had no idea what (the interviewer) was talking about" during the red carpet chat.

### Dazed and confused

**"(I) had no idea what (the interviewer) was talking about."**

**Bradley Cooper**

Talking about being confused over a question on the Lance Armstrong movie

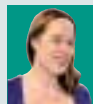
"I didn't even know that J.J. ... has the rights. I had no idea."

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

### The Word

## Stay classy Brandi Glanville



**THE WORD**  
Dorothy Robinson  
scene@metronews.ca

Holy cats, you guys. Brandi Glanville is insane. How do we know this (besides reading every tabloid story ever)? Let me present to you some excerpts from the *The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills* star's new book, *Drinking & Tweeting* and other Brandi Blunders, which were obtained by Life & Style.

### Her reaction after finding out about her then-husband, Edward Cibrian's, affair with LeAnn Rimes:

"I'm not entirely sure how I ended up on the floor of my closet sobbing ... a teary-eyed Eddie found me lying there minutes later, and without saying so much as a word, he started kissing me all over ... he pulled off my workout pants and we started having sex right there," she recalls. "He swore up and down my body that it wasn't true ... that it was completely innocent. In that moment, it was easier to believe him, because I just couldn't



stand the thought of being without him."

### How she would go about her revenge:

"A brand-new vagina would be an Eddie-free vagina. ... I decided that since Eddie had ruined my vagina for me, he could pay for a new one. I gave (the doctor's office) Eddie's credit card number," she says about undergoing a vaginal rejuvenation for \$12,000.

### But, really, no hard feelings:

"I would like to thank my ex-husband, Edward Cibrian, for giving me all the material I could ever need to write this book and for helping me discover the strong, independent woman inside of me," she writes, in *Drinking & Tweeting*, which will surely be a New York Times bestseller.



Channing Tatum

## Tatum taking a glass-half-full approach to parenthood

Channing Tatum is terrified of his impending parenthood, but in a good way.

"I mean, I don't think there's one thing that doesn't terrify you, but in the most unbelievably beautiful way," the 32-year-old Magic Mike star tells E! News.

"Someone said it's really like watching your heart jump out of your body and run around, and I think that can possibly be the coolest thing that I've heard of."

As for how wife Jenna Dewan-Tatum is handling pregnancy?

"I mean, women just sort of turn into, like, animals in this sort of stage

### Daddy-to-be

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**Channing Tatum**

On the impending birth of his first child

that they're in," he says. "She's a complete animal right now. You can ask her, but in the most beautiful, like, humanistic animal way. You know, she works out all of the time, eats right, impeccably right. She's just a machine."

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Victoria Beckham

## Victoria Beckham admits to being a control freak

Victoria Beckham is enjoying success in the fashion world, but she still feels like she has to prove herself.

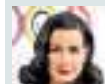
"You've got to trust people. And because I am a control freak, sometimes that's difficult for me, because I want to micro-manage absolutely everything. I can't hand over."

### Twitter



**@ActuallyNPH**

Come on, Boy Scouts, do the right thing. Diversity should be honored and valued. There should be a merit badge for it.



**@DitaVonTeese**

"Sasquatch" is one of my favorite words, so the TV show "Finding Bigfoot"—big LOLs. Lines like "a squatchy area", "goin' squatchin'"...



**@ElizabethHurley**

Not easy house training a spaniel puppy.....



**@TheEllenShow**

I had a great birthday, and now the house is finally back in order. I just need to figure out how to get @Jimmy-Kimmel out of my bathtub.





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300: Full-size sedan — \$34,500



200: Mid-size convertible — \$31,600

# REFRESHED STILL FRESH

## CHRYSLER CONTINUES WITH ITS COMEBACK

Even if it was only a stop-gap measure, the refreshed Chrysler car line still looks pretty fresh and strong sales bear that out.

The 200 is a heavily worked over version of the Sebring, while the 300 was smoothed into an elegant looking downtown car perhaps more fitting of Chrysler's image. Now, whether that image includes a 470-horsepower, 6.4-litre "Hemi" V8 is entirely subjective, but the rear-wheel-drive SRT8 can take off its debutante crown to lay rubber, at will, all over the road.

For this job, it rides on 20-inch wheels, tops out at 175 mph (280 km/h) and burns to 60 mph (96 km/h) in less than five seconds. Compared to the previous SRT8's 6.1-litre V8, there is an extra 80 pound-feet of torque at 2,900 revs per minute, which makes for spirited part-throttle around-town driving.

A 21 per cent fuel-economy increase on the highway is achieved by use of an active-valve exhaust system that allows the standard Fuel Saver Technology (four-cylinder mode) to engage over a wider r.p.m. range. As a treat to the ears, the exhaust system opens up under higher loads.

The SRT8 shifts through a five-speed automatic transmission, but the whole package would be better if the new eight-speed automatic transmission for the V6 cars could be fitted to the V8. The eight-speed helps the standard 292-horsepower, 3.6-litre V6 do better than 30 mpg on the highway.

Not counting the SRT8, the lineup for 2013 is comprised of the base Touring and 300 S V6-equipped models (the latter with a 300-horsepower V6 or the Hemi as an option), as well as the V8-powered 300C and 300C Luxury Series.



Town & Country: Minivan — \$33,150

## BASE PRICES (INCLUDING DESTINATION)

200: MID-SIZE SEDAN — \$21,500

200: MID-SIZE CONVERTIBLE — \$31,600

300: FULL-SIZE SEDAN — \$34,500

TOWN & COUNTRY: MINIVAN — \$33,150

The latter includes just about every posh amenity in the Chrysler parts warehouse, including a premium leather interior, 12-way power-adjustable driver and front-passenger heated and ventilated seats, power adjustable steering column, pedals and rear-window sunshade, power-folding outside mirrors and genuine Berber floor mats.

The new S adds a sporty touch to the 300, as most are delivered in cruiser livery. You will get paddle shifters and eight more horses in the V6.

Meanwhile, the smaller 200 is in a

holding pattern as a 2014 Alfa Romeo-based replacement is readied. For now, the 200 continues as the category price leader with a 2.4-litre, four-cylinder engine and four-speed automatic transmission. The latter is your only choice when it comes to the 3.6. The 200 has to cover a broad spectrum of buyers and is therefore available in LX, Touring, Limited and 200 S trim levels. The latter jumps off at the Limited's trim level and adds 18-inch wheels, better interior appointments and stereo, and, of course, the V6.

— *Wheelbase Media*



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# SPARK IGNITES NEW OUTLOOK

## CHEVROLET PUTS FOCUS BACK ON THE CAR LINE

With the focus finally fully away from big wagons, which had been a bit of a Chevrolet specialty, the switch back to cars is indeed exciting as there are all kinds of unexplored niches and possibilities.

The Chevy Spark's boxy design delivers an impressive level of usable volume in the least amount of space. In fact, the car is nearly 15 centimetres taller than a Mini Cooper, but it's slightly shorter overall and offers less distance between the front and rear wheels. With the rear seat in place, you will find only minimal stowage area in back, but accommodating life's bulky items is just a split-folding-rear-bench away.

The rear door handles have been cleverly integrated as part of the window frame, giving the car a two-door appearance. A 1.2-litre, four-cylinder generates an equally modest 85 horsepower and 82 pound-feet of torque. A five-speed manual transmission, or optional four-speed automatic, directs power to the front wheels.

One rung up the ladder, the new five-door Sonic RS model adds some aggression with a unique grille and front fascia, 17-inch wheels with low-profile performance tires, a shiny exhaust and a body that sits about a half-inch lower.

One more notch up is the new Malibu sedan, which is also all about fuel efficiency. For 2013, Chevrolet's mid-size sedan sheds some centimetres between the front and rear wheels, but is wider by nearly eight. The base engine is a 2.5-litre, four-cylinder that makes 197 horsepower.

Also offered is the Malibu Eco that uses General Motors' mild-hybrid system (called eAssist) borrowed from the Buick LaCrosse and Regal. The 182-horsepower, 2.4-litre four-cylinder gas engine works



Spark: City-car hatchback — \$15,000

## BASE PRICES (INCLUDING DESTINATION)

CAMARO: TWO-DOOR TIME MACHINE — \$29,500  
CORVETTE: TWO-DOOR COUPE — \$61,550  
CRUZE: FOUR-DOOR COMPACT SEDAN — \$17,200  
IMPALA: FULL-SIZE SEDAN — \$29,800  
MALIBU: MID-SIZED SEDAN — \$26,500

SONIC: SUB-COMPACT SEDAN/HATCH — \$16,000  
SPARK: CITY-CAR HATCHBACK — \$15,000  
TRAX: COMPACT TALL WAGON — \$23,500 (EST.)  
VOLT: COMPACT ELECTRIC SEDAN — \$43,000

with a belt-driven 15-horsepower electric motor/generator, replacing the traditional alternator. It feeds off of a lithium-ion battery pack positioned behind the rear seat.

Sticking with the small and frugal theme is the new Trax, which slots below the Equinox in Chevy's tall wagon lineup and uses the same platform as that brand's Cruze and Sonic small cars. In size it's nearly 18 centimetres longer and 13 centimetres taller

than a Sonic wagon, which provides plenty of space for up to five passengers and a relatively cavernous cargo area.

When it comes to Camaro, "eco" is a handle that just doesn't really fit. New for this 1960s throwback is the 1LE handling package, which was primarily available on Camaro police interceptors in the early 1990s. Now only available for SS models with no changes to the 426-horsepower,

6.2-litre V8, the 1LE gets most of the suspension, braking, bigger wheels and sticky tires that make the ZL1 so entertaining, but without the weight — and cost — of the supercharged engine.

Meanwhile, Corvette is awaiting its 2014 replacement, although for the 2013 model year there is the 427 Convertible Collector Edition that uses the 505-horsepower, 7.0-litre V8 (i.e., 427 cubic inches) from the Z06, an exclusive carbon-fibre hood, fenders and floors, along with the magnetic ride control from the ZR1. Considering that there has never been a Z06 or ZR1 drop-top, the 427 Convertible throws all the tastiest bits of each into one awesome package. Also, every Corvette is available with an optional white-on-blue 60th anniversary design appearance package to celebrate the Corvette's 60th birthday.

— Wheelbase Media



Camaro: Two-door time machine — \$29,500



Trax: Compact tall wagon — \$23,500 (est.)



Impala: Full-size sedan — \$29,800



Corvette: Two-door coupe — \$61,550





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ILX: Compact sedan — \$29,900

# AFFORDABLE LUXURY

## ILX IS ACURA'S FIRST HYBRID MODEL, GEARED TOWARD GENERATION Y DRIVERS

With the whole world creating well-equipped small cars, it was smart — and natural — for Acura to get in on the game, but Honda's upscale division needed to be careful about not simply rebadging a Honda Civic to get the job done in a hurry.

Where past small-car efforts really appealed to young enthusiasts with the sporting aspirations (Integra and RSX), the new ILX is for a growing segment of non-enthusiasts, actually. Primarily 25- to 35-year-old gen-Y types seeking affordable luxury with a side order of social responsibility.

Although loosely based on the Civic, the ILX has little in common with the Honda. From the front and side, the car's high style is much evidence. However, the short, rounded rear deck looks out of place with the rest of the design and results in a trunk of only modest proportions. At least folding the back seat can extend the available stowage space.

On the other hand, the interior has a first-class quality to it, especially the well-designed dashboard, control panel and useful multi-information display that among other data provides average speed, fuel consumption, and oil-life info.

Base cars arrive with a 150-horsepower, 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine that operates through a five-speed automatic transmission. For performance-minded millennials there is the optional



TL: Mid-size sedan — \$41,800



TSX Wagon: Price N/A

201-horsepower, 2.4-litre four-cylinder that uses a six-speed manual gearbox (both purloined from the Honda Civic Si).

At the socially conscious end of the lineup, the Hybrid combines a 1.5-litre four-cylinder with an electric motor to generate 111 net horsepower. The Hybrid gets a continuously variable transmission.

All models include power moonroof, keyless push-button start, rear-view camera and an audio system with an interface for subscription-based Internet music.

Acura also had fuel economy in mind when it removed the turbocharged four-cylinder engine from the redesigned RDX tall wagon and replaced it with ... a bigger engine. Less effort (and more power)



TSX: Compact sedan — \$33,800

## BASE PRICES (INCLUDING DESTINATION)

ILX: COMPACT SEDAN — \$29,900

MDX: SPORT-UTILITY WAGON — \$55,100

RDX: COMPACT COUPE — \$42,900

TL: MID-SIZE SEDAN — \$41,800

TSX SEDAN: COMPACT SEDAN — \$33,800

ZDX: MID-SIZED TALL WAGON — \$56,900



ZDX: Mid-sized tall wagon — \$56,900

from the new 273-horse, 3.5-litre V6 means better fuel economy (up nearly 20 per cent for highway driving), it seems, while that model is also entirely visually revamped.

In the process, the RDX loses its Super Handling All Wheel Drive, which is now the property of the larger MDX and ZDX models. However, the replacement system, called AWD with Intelligent Control, appears to have its own merits, sending

25 per cent of the available torque to the rear wheels when accelerating from a stop, up to 100 per cent to the front wheels at a steady speed and splitting the torque 50:50 when heading up a 15 per cent (or greater) slope. It can't send extra torque to the outside turning wheels like the SH-AWD could, but that's at least partially offset by electronic power steering and traction-control systems that reduce front- or rear-end plowing while turning, commonly referred to as understeer and oversteer.

The rest of the Acura line stays put for 2013 with the exception of the ZDX wagon, which undergoes some styling updates, along with improved techie features and additional standard features as part of its single-trim-level marketing plan.

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# BREAKING WITH TRADITION

## SUBARU TAKING THE BRAND NEW WHERE IT HASN'T BEEN

As a maker of affordable all-wheel-drive cars, Subaru might be without equal, but the 2013 model year seems to be all about breaking with tradition and taking the brand where it has never been. And seemingly in two opposite directions.

Just when you think the Japan-based automaker has settled down to become a conservative member of the community, it ratchets up the funkiness and creates this bold and brash off-roader-style Impreza wagon.

In reality, the Crosstrek's maximum tasks include rough road and weather conditions and some limited off-trail adventuring. Anyone familiar with Volvo's XC70 wagon will think of this Subie as a scaled-down and less expensive copycat, as well as sharing kinship with the current Subaru Outback wagon.

Subaru has provided the Crosstrek with its own distinctive nose-piece, bumpers, roof rails, side cladding and rear spoiler. The meaner, macho look is completed with darker window tinting and a set of 17-inch all-season tires mounted to custom-look wheels. The slightly bigger front brake rotors add stopping power and a hiked-up suspension provides 22 centimetres of ground clearance, which is 7.5 more than the Impreza. That should be plenty for straddling rock-strewn terrain and fording shallow streams.

The Crosstrek is fired up with a 148-horsepower, 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine that comes straight out of the Impreza. Also Impreza-based is a five-speed manual transmission that has Incline Start Assist to prevent the Crosstrek from rolling backward when moving your right foot from the brake to the gas pedal while



Crosstrek: Compact tall wagon — \$26,200



BRZ: Two-door compact coupe — \$29,000

### BASE PRICES (INCLUDING DESTINATION)

BRZ: TWO-DOOR COMPACT COUPE — \$29,000  
CROSSTREK: COMPACT TALL WAGON — \$26,200  
FORESTER: MID-SIZE SUV — \$27,700  
IMPREZA: COMPACT SEDAN/WAGON — \$21,700

LEGACY: MID-SIZED SEDAN — \$25,200  
OUTBACK: MID-SIZED WAGON — \$30,200  
TRIBECA: MID-SIZE SUV — \$40,700  
WRX: COMPACT SEDAN/WAGON — \$34,200  
WRX STI: COMPACT SEDAN/WAGON — \$40,800

stopped on a hill. Optional is a continuously variable unit with paddle-shifters that operate six pre-set ratios.

The standard all-wheel-drive systems are, not surprisingly, Impreza-based. Manual-gearbox models split the torque 50:50 in normal driving situations, but will apportion up to 80 per cent to either front or rear wheels when slippage is detected. With automatics, the Active Torque Split system maintains a 60:40

division, but automatically directs up to 100 per cent of the torque to either set of wheels when necessary.

And that makes the perfect introduction for something completely different — a two-door, rear-wheel-drive Subaru. Loyal Subie shoppers will be shocked to discover the new BRZ sports car's driveshaft transmits power only to the opposite end of the vehicle. And one more surprise: Subaru has teamed up

with Toyota, which owns a small stake in the company, to create the BRZ and the Scion FR-S. Toyota is experienced at making sporty coupes but hasn't headed down that road for years. In Subaru's case, its last effort was the 1990s-era premium-priced SVX.

One of the BRZ's primary advantages is weight, or rather a lack of it. At just 1,250 kilograms, the Subaru weighs about 270 kilograms less than the Genesis Coupe and anywhere from 300 to 450 kilograms less than any V6-equipped North American example. Although the extra-stiff platform is completely new, much of the suspension pieces originate with the Impreza and its performance-focused WRX STI variant.

To aid turning and cornering capabilities, the engine has been positioned closer to the centre of the vehicle. Also helping out is a 200-horsepower, 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine that sits lower to the ground than similar powerplants due to its horizontally opposed design (two cylinders fire at a 180-degree angle to the other two), thus lowering the car's centre of gravity.

A six-speed manual transmission is standard for the BRZ, while a six-speed automatic is available. The latter features manual paddle shifters, rev-matching downshifts plus a "sport" mode that, by activating a switch on the floor console, delivers quicker shifts.

Overall, the Subaru BRZ promises to shake up the sport coupe world and give both Subaru and Scion a serious sporty coupe to brag about. — *Wheelbase Media*



Legacy: Mid-sized sedan — \$25,200



WRX STI: Compact sedan/wagon — \$40,800



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# TURNING HEADS



**Rio: Subcompact sedan — \$15,350**

## KIA OFFERS BOTH BRILLIANT STYLING AND DRIVING EXPERIENCE

You HAVE heard of Peter Schreyer, right? Kia's German-born designer is one of the chief reasons the company's current models are so hot. One of his favourites is the Optima sedan. The style is brilliant and driving experience leaves little to be desired.

But that can't hold true for the bargain-basement Rio, can it? The sedan and Rio 5-Door hatchback bear little resemblance to their predecessors, with far more pleasing sheet metal and a dash layout that's attractively shaped, clearly presented and uses better materials. The standard 1.6-litre, four-cylinder produces 138 horsepower and 123 pound-feet of torque, which is significant for a light 1,150-kilogram vehicle. In this class, it's a bit rare to see a six-speed manual transmission, or optional six-speed automatic, but the Rio has them.

The Rio is available with Idle Stop and Go (ISG), an optional automatic transmission-only feature that shuts off the engine after the Rio comes to a complete stop, then instantly fires it up again once the brake pedal is released. ISG is part of an Eco Dynamics Package that includes a special alternator that disengages under high engine load (such as when heading up hill) for reduced power loss and improved fuel performance. Kia claims overall fuel consumption is reduced by about three per cent with ISG. That's not much, but every little bit helps.

The base Rio LX with the manual gearbox is somewhat light in the content



**Forte: Compact sedan — \$17,450**



**Optima: Mid-size sedan — \$23,450**

department, while the mid-range LX+ includes air conditioning, plus a few more goodies. The EX adds 16-inch alloy wheels, power sunroof and a rearview camera, while the top-end SX UVO adds a "Steptronic" automatic transmission, 17-inch wheels (15-inchers are standard), leather interior, rain-sensing wipers and more. To add navigation, you need the SX.

The Rio's 1.6-litre engine is used in other applications, such as the Soul wagon, which received a full refresh both inside and out for the 2012 model year. New headlamps and LED taillights are

the jewelry on top of a revised hood, front and rear fascias, fog lights and wheel designs for all three trim levels.

The optional 2.0-litre, four-cylinder was retuned to deliver 160 horsepower (up from 142). A six-speed manual transmission is standard while a six-speed automatic is optional, but standard on the higher trims. Otherwise, the Soul is still cleverly packaged for maximum customization and a wide range of price points.

Of course, there is no more clever packaging than in the high-tech Optima Hybrid. As you might expect, the hybrid is the most fuel efficient (5.6 l/100 km city and 4.9 highway), but even the base engine produces a respectable 8.7 l/100 km in the city and 5.7 on the highway.

Most interesting is that the hybrid system uses unique lithium-polymer batteries that are lightweight and can actually be formed into shapes. The hybrid can travel



**Forte Koup: Compact coupe — \$20,550**

### BASE PRICES INCLUDING DESTINATION

**FORTE: COMPACT SEDAN — \$17,450**  
**FORTE KOUP: COMPACT COUPE — \$20,550**  
**OPTIMA: MID-SIZE SEDAN — \$23,450**  
**RIO: SUBCOMPACT SEDAN — \$15,350**  
**RIO5: SUBCOMPACT HATCHBACK — \$15,750**  
**SORENTO: MID-SIZE SPORT UTILITY — \$28,300**  
**SOUL: COMPACT WAGON — \$18,450**  
**SPORTAGE: COMPACT WAGON — \$23,650**

at speeds of up to 60 mph (96 km/h) without the gas engine assisting.

Kia's reputation is built on value, and the Optima is no different. Very well equipped for the class with standard air conditioning, power everything, a cooled glovebox, tilt and telescoping steering wheel and keyless entry. Once you move up to mid-range EX or top-range turbo-only SX models, features such as front and rear heated seats, leather upholstery, back-up camera, a premium Infinity sound system and a navigation system are available as options.

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Dart: Compact sedan — \$17,500

## DISTINCTIVE DODGE

Under Fiat control, a number of things have happened over at Chrysler and Dodge, and none of them bad, as some might have feared.

You have a new Durango and Grand Cherokee and a complete revitalization of the SRT performance line, only better than it ever was. And for the 2013, even the Viper is back and heavily upgraded.

Now, where exactly, is the downside of Fiat control? The Viper, now wearing an SRT badge and not a Dodge label, has returned following a two model-year absence. During that period, the coupe has undergone a thorough re-engineering at the hands of Chrysler's Street and Racing Technology (SRT) team.

In some respects, though, the new Viper is more of an homage to the original 1996 GTS, especially the clamshell-style hood and exaggerated side air intake. The body is comprised of carbon fibre and aluminum and is about 100 pounds lighter than the 2010 model. The shell sits atop a platform that is 50 per cent stiffer, assisted by an aluminum brace connecting the strut towers to the body. Numerous suspension upgrades — many learned through the previous Viper's racetrack experience — have been incorporated into the SRT Viper.

The interior features a sophisticated cabin, finally, with a more elegant, yet functional, layout. The 8.4-litre, V10 powerplant is rated at 640 horsepower and 600 pound-feet of torque, up from 600 horsepower and 560 pound-feet of torque. A six-speed manual gearbox is the sole transmission choice.

As pleased as everyone is about the Viper, the new Dart has stirred up a bit of



SRT Viper: Sports car — \$100,000

hornet's nest when it comes to dragging out past names and putting them on new cars, partially because its creation has everything to do with both Chrysler/Dodge and Alfa Romeo being a part of the Italy-based Fiat automotive group. Although the Dart and Alfa's Giulietta share the same basic platform, the Dart has its own distinctive sheet metal, interior and powerplant selection. It is also built at a Chrysler assembly plant in Illinois.

The Dart's importance can't be overstated enough, since Chrysler hasn't had a compact sedan in play since the 2005 model year's Neon. The Dart name will probably resonate with older customers, although many younger car buyers will likely miss the connection completely. Turning a Giulietta into a Dart involved increasing the platform length by 30 centimetres and the width by five centimetres. The result, claims Dodge, is a car with segment-leading scale, beating such

small-car luminaries as the Toyota Corolla, Honda Civic, Hyundai Elantra and Chevrolet Cruze.

The cabin design is a standout, with futuristic-looking gauges, non-traditional control panel displays and a unique storage area beneath the front passenger seat cushion. The base engine is a 160-horsepower, 2.0-litre four-cylinder that's standard with SE, SXT, Rallye and Limited trim levels. All can be upgraded to a 1.4-litre turbo-charged, four-cylinder that's rated at the same 160 horses, but leads in the torque department with 184 pound-feet to 145.

For budget performance/appearance in a much larger package, the Challenger for 2013 now steps up with a half-dozen distinct trim levels, including the new Rallye Redline that slots between the SXT Plus (available with a Super Sport Group of goodies, but Chevrolet might not be too happy about the name) and the Hemi-powered R/T.

— Wheelbase Media



Grand Caravan: Minivan — \$21,500

### BASE PRICES INCLUDING DESTINATION

AVENGER: MID-SIZED SEDAN — \$21,500  
 CHALLENGER: TWO-DOOR COUPE — \$28,500; \$50,600 (SRT8 392)  
 CHARGER: FOUR-DOOR SEDAN — \$31,500; \$49,600 (SRT8 392)  
 DART: COMPACT SEDAN; \$17,500  
 DURANGO: FULL-SIZE SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE — \$39,700  
 GRAND CARAVAN: MINIVAN — \$21,500  
 JOURNEY: MID-SIZED WAGON — \$21,500  
 SRT VIPER: MID-SIZED WAGON — \$100,000



Durango: Full-size SUV — \$39,700



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**Yukon Denali: Full-size SUV — \$75,000 (2012)**

## BLENDING LUXURY, UTILITY

The GMC brand is a bit at odds with itself in that it blends a measure of luxury and prestige (softness) along with ruggedness. How/why it's perceived as being more of workhorse than Chevrolet, yet more Friday-night urban is a bit of a mystery.

Take the Terrain, which is GMC's entry-level small sport-utility vehicle. The GMC badge automatically gave it credibility as a more rugged piece than the equivalent Chevrolet Equinox, while also providing a more upscale experience. Proof? The ultra-luxurious Denali sub-brand is now available on its smallest

vehicle. More chrome on the broad grille and exhaust pipes, satin touches, unique lights, and body-coloured fascias and rocker mouldings highlight the exterior, while softer leather on the seats, doors, and steering wheel, along with "smoked" mahogany inserts differentiate the cabin from lesser trims.

However, unlike other Denali models, the Terrain version can be had with either the standard 182-horsepower, 2.4-litre four-cylinder or the new 301-horsepower, 3.6-litre V6. Despite the latter's big bump in power and torque, it has the

identical 12.4/8.1 l/100 km rating as the older 3.0-litre unit. All Terrains get six-speed automatic transmissions and both engines can be had with front- or optional all-wheel-drive. Towing capacity for the four-cylinder is 680 kilograms, while the V6 is rated for 1,500.

Sierra HD trucks wearing the Denali badge as well as the rest of the Sierra HD lineup in regular-, extended- and crew cab styles can be had with a 360-horsepower, 6.0-litre V8 or the 6.6-litre turbo-diesel (preferred by the vast majority of Sierra HD purchasers) that kicks out 397 horsepower and 765 pound-feet torque. Both engines are mated to six-speed automatic transmissions.

To keep the popular eight-passenger Acadia from falling behind the German and Japanese competition, and in response to new homegrown rivals such as the Ford Explorer and Dodge Durango, GMC has given its big wagon a dose of attitude. The squared-off front end takes inspiration from the smaller Terrain and uses neat LED accent lighting in the new headlight clusters. New LED taillights, wraparound glass and a spoiler freshen up the rear end.

The interior gets nicer plastics and leathers, highlighted by a new colour touch-screen with optional navigation. All Acadias come with either seven or eight seats and lots of room behind the third row for cargo.

— *Wheelbase Media*



**Acadia: Mid-size SUV — \$40,100**



**Yukon: Full-size SUV — \$51,200**



**Yukon: Full-size SUV — \$51,200**



**Sierra: Full-size pickup — \$28,250**



**Acadia: Mid-size SUV — \$40,100**

### BASE PRICES (INCL. DESTINATION)

ACADIA: MID-SIZE SUV; \$40,100

SIERRA: FULL-SIZE PICKUP; \$28,250

SIERRA HD: FULL-SIZE PICKUP; \$37,600

TERRAIN: COMPACT SUV; \$29,900

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YUKON DENALI: FULL-SIZE SUV; \$75,000 (2012)



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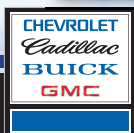
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Grand Vitara: Compact SUV — \$29,150



Kizashi Sport: Price N/A

# STYLE REFRESH

## SUZUKI GRAND VITARA GETS UPDATED LOOK



SX4: Compact hatchback/sedan — \$17,100

Caught without a lot of product at a time when new product is everything, Suzuki slides into 2013 with an unchanged Kizashi sedan and SX4 small car, while the Grand Vitara gets a mild refresh.

In a day and age where four-cylinder compact wagons seem to rule the roost, it's interesting that Suzuki seems to have snuck in the back door for the 2013 model year to feel like part of the pack. It already had the "off-road-y" platform — deemed necessary in this class only a few years ago — and this season it gets the looks to play in the same league as the Honda CRV and Hyundai Tucson.

The styling update affects the front and rear plastic as well as the surrounding sheet metal. Mechanically, though, things are about the same as they were in 2012, which means standard four-wheel-drive continuing as an option. The system can direct power to the front wheels as required and there's a low-speed setting for serious off-roading.

The Grand Vitara line begins with the Urban model that includes climate control plus keyless remote entry, tilt steering wheel and a four-speaker sound system. The JX comes with cruise control, illumin-

ated steering wheel audio controls as well as a cover for the cargo area. The JLX adds a power sunroof, 16-inch wheels, heated front seats, premium audio package roof rails and fog lights. The JLX-L tops up with a leather interior.

For 2013, all Grand Vitaras are equipped

with a Garmin-brand navigation, hands-free communication and audio system.

As for the Kizashi, it was supposed to be the beginning of a new kind of Suzuki, but that new Suzuki hasn't really materialized, which leaves the car as a bit of wild child out there dangling in the breeze. But as

the most recent vehicle in the line, it's also likely the best.

In terms of size, the family-oriented four-door slots almost exactly halfway between vehicles such as the Honda Civic, Mazda3 and Toyota Corolla and their larger Honda Accord, Mazda6 and Toyota Camry siblings. The one and only engine is the 180-horsepower, 2.4-litre four-cylinder that drives all four wheels using a continuously variable transmission.

Base S models come with quite a bit of comfy stuff, including climate control, power-adjustable front seats, push-button start, seven-speaker audio system, Bluetooth wireless connectivity and eight airbags. The mid-range SX adds a power sunroof plus leather-covered seats (heated in front), backup warning and 18-inch wheels (17-inch rims are standard), while the Kizashi Sport features a sport-tuned suspension, unique alloy rims and a rear spoiler.

For the 2013 model year the Rockford-Fosgate audio package that was in the SX and Sport editions has been dropped in favour of a Garmin entertainment/information/communications system that also features a backup camera.

— Wheelbase Media



Kizashi: Mid-sized sedan — \$29,550

## BASE PRICES (INCLUDING DESTINATION)

GRAND VITARA: COMPACT SUV — \$29,150  
KIZASHI: MID-SIZED SEDAN — \$29,550

SX4: COMPACT HATCHBACK/SEDAN — \$17,100 (SEDAN)





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iMiEV: Subcompact hatchback — \$34,700

# CHARGING AHEAD

**MITSUBISHI iMiEV  
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Mitsubishi has picked the cars it wants to keep in the lineup and it's not good news for the Galant and the Eclipse. But it can only mean that new product is in the works, and we can only hope that whatever is in the pipeline is as off the wall as Mitsubishi's electric small car called the iMiEV.

The hatchback joined the all-electric Nissan Leaf plus the gasoline-supported Chevrolet Volt as pioneers in the clean-energy movement. However, the "i" is one of the smallest electrical offerings to be mass produced for general consumption.

As a short-haul urban commuter pod, it easily accommodates four adults as long as they are packing light. But with only the front seats in use, cargo capacity with the 50:50 rear seat folded flat matches the space available in the larger Nissan Leaf.

The iMiEV's top speed is 130 km/h, but driving at that velocity will quickly sap its 330-volt lithium-ion battery pack positioned beneath the passenger floor. The system flows power to the 80-kilo-watt (107-horsepower) electric motor. The range, at about 135 kilometres per charge, is less than the 160 kilometres claimed by the Nissan Leaf.



Lancer: Compact sedan — \$17,600



Lancer: \$35,500 (Evolution)



Outlander Sport: Compact SUV — \$20,000



RVR: Wagon — Price N/A

Piloting the iMiEV involves shifting the single-speed controller to one of three operating modes: "D" for optimum performance; "Eco" for maximum battery life; or "B" to maximize the amount of regenerative braking that replenishes the batteries more quickly and stretches the i's effective range.

A 240-volt home charging system requires about six hours to top up the i, or 22.5 hours if you tap into a 120-volt outlet found in virtually every home. Do the

math and that leaves a driving window of just 1.5 hours per day.

The \$33,000 (plus destination charges) base model includes air conditioning, power windows, locks and mirrors, heated driver's seat, four-speaker 100-watt audio system and all the requisite safety content. At \$36,000, the Premium Package iMiEV bumps up the content with fancier alloy wheels, an eight-speaker 360-watt sound system, a navigation system leather-wrapped steering wheel and shift knob.

## BASE PRICES INCLUDING DESTINATION

iMiEV: SUBCOMPACT HATCHBACK —  
\$34,700  
LANCER: COMPACT SEDAN — \$17,600;  
\$21,600 (SPORT); \$35,500 (EVOLUTION)  
OUTLANDER SPORT: COMPACT SUV —  
\$20,000  
OUTLANDER: MIDSIZE SUV — \$23,500

Although the market for electrics is a little thin, to say least, the RVR small-tall wagon has been selling very well. It's a cut-down version of the Outlander that's fitted with four-cylinder power. Minor changes for 2013 include a reworked nose and rear bumper, the use of "greener" seat fabrics and materials, and added sound insulation.

Easily the most appreciated change to the RVR is a reduction in numbness for the electric power steering.

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# FLAWLESS DESIGN DETAILS

## HYUNDAI CONTINUES TO MAKE CARS THAT ARE FUN TO LOOK AT

Some of the hottest styling comes from the sketch pads at Hyundai. Just look at the Veloster Turbo and the new Santa Fe. Hyundai has gone from building cars that people on a budget had to buy, to beautiful rolling sculpture that you just have to buy.

Take the three-door Veloster. It has one long door on the driver's side and two shorter doors on the passenger side. It's design detail is flawless. The only thing lacking was the velocity part, since the only engine available was a 138-horsepower, 1.6-litre four-cylinder.

For those seeking more adrenaline, the new 2013 Veloster Turbo uses the same four-cylinder engine but adds a turbo-charger and intercooler to bring the magic number to 201 horsepower. A six-speed manual transmission is standard, but Turbos use a regular six-speed automatic, optionally.

Visually, the Turbo gets a more aggressive front end with a larger blacked out grille, a different hood, lower ground effects, a revised rear bumper and a gigantic (yet almost annoyingly quiet) twin exhaust poking out back.

The most significant redesign for 2013, however, is the Santa Fe wagon that's available in five- and seven-passenger sizes. The shorter-wheelbase five-passenger Santa Fe Sport arrives first, followed by the longer (by 22 centimetres) seven-passenger Santa Fe in early 2013.

The bigger Santa Fe is heavier than the Sport by more than 150 kilograms, which explains why it's only available with a 290-horsepower, 3.3-litre V6 that replaces the previously optional 274-horsepower, 3.5-litre V6.

Conversely, the Sport comes with a base 190-horsepower, 2.4-litre four-cylinder, or optional 264-horsepower, 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder. In all cases the only transmission is a six-speed automatic with manual shift controls.

Hyundai will let you add its latest all-wheel-drive setup with any Santa Fe



Veloster: Compact hatchback — \$21,000; \$27,500 Turbo



Santa Fe: Compact SUV — \$28,250



Genesis sedan: Full-size sedan — \$41,750

## BASE PRICES (INCLUDING DESTINATION)

ACCENT: SEDAN/TWO-DOOR HATCH — \$14,800  
ELANTRA SEDAN: COMPACT SEDAN — \$17,450  
ELANTRA COUPE: COMPACT COUPE — \$21,450  
ELANTRA GT: COMPACT HATCHBACK — \$20,650  
EQUUS: A FULLER-SIZE GENESIS — \$66,300

GENESIS SEDAN: FULL-SIZE SEDAN — \$41,750  
GENESIS COUPE: TWO-DOOR COUPE — \$28,100  
SANTA FE: COMPACT SUV — \$28,250  
SONATA: MID-SIZED SEDAN — \$25,600  
TUCSON: COMPACT SUV — \$21,750  
VELOSTER: COMPACT HATCHBACK — \$21,000; \$27,500 TURBO

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The Santa Fe features plenty of standard content plus unexpected treats, including Driver Selectable Steering Mode with Normal, Comfort (reduces steering effort by 10 per cent) and Sport (increases effort by the same amount) settings. Turbo models add performance suspension components (stiffer shocks and stabilizer bars), 19-inch wheels (17s are standard), fancier gauge cluster, push-button start and heated front seats.

On the car side of the ledger, the 2013 Elantra adds both a two-door coupe and a hatchback model called the GT. All carry the same powertrains and interiors, so the major differences are exactly what you can see on the outside.

— Wheelbase Media



Accent: Sedan/two-door hatch — \$14,800



Sonata: Mid-sized sedan — \$25,600



Genesis Coupe: Two-door coupe — \$28,100



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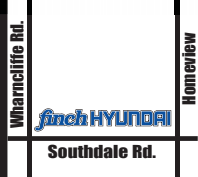
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ATS: Compact sedan — \$36,700

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Why it took Cadillac this long to build a car smaller than the CTS is anyone's guess. Likely because only in the last few years has fuel performance been as big an issue as comfort and power. So, with the growing acceptance of well-turned out small cars in the marketplace — even though BMW has been doing it for decades with the 3 Series — here's the new ATS.

Compared to the larger CTS, the ATS is about 22 centimetres shorter, four-centimetres narrower while being vertically challenged by about five centimetres. It also surrenders 10 centimetres between the front and rear wheels. Where the ATS really excels is its 1,510-kilogram curb weight.

Although it's available with a relatively potent 321-horsepower, 3.6-litre V6 (required when adding the optional all-wheel-drive), Cadillac is making available two additional four-cylinder offerings. Base cars get a 202-horsepower, 2.5-litre unit, while a 2.0-litre turbo-charged four-cylinder is optional. The turbo's 272 horsepower and 260 pound-



CTS: Mid-size sedan — \$46,600

## BASE PRICES (INCLUDING DESTINATION)

ATS: COMPACT SEDAN — \$36,700

CTS: MID-SIZE SEDAN — \$46,600

CTS: TWO-DOOR COUPE — \$44,500

CTS: FOUR-DOOR WAGON

— \$43,200

XTS: FULL-SIZE SEDAN — \$50,600

feet of torque would appear to trump similarly-sized turbo-fours employed in the Audi A4 and BMW 3 Series and could

give the ATS some all-important street cred.

All power plants are mated to six-

speed automatic transmissions, but in keeping with its performance nature (and to sway Euro-sedan fans) the turbo engine is available with a six-speed manual gearbox. As with some of its other models, Cadillac waltzed the ATS around Germany's demanding Nürburgring race-track to ensure its driving characteristics measure up to BMW, Audi, et al.

The ATS would seem to match its competitors stride for stride in safety with up to 10 airbags plus an array of the latest in collision-avoidance gear. They include adaptive cruise control (maintains a safe distance from the vehicle in front), lane-departure warning with blind-zone alert, adaptive lighting (headlights pivot as the car turns) and front and rear automatic brakes that use short-range radar to detect and prevent low-speed collisions.

At the other end of the scale, the CTS is joined by the larger XTS, which is the long-awaited successor to the DTS and STS sedans. The XTS employs a front-wheel-drive platform that will also be supporting the 2014 Chevrolet Impala.

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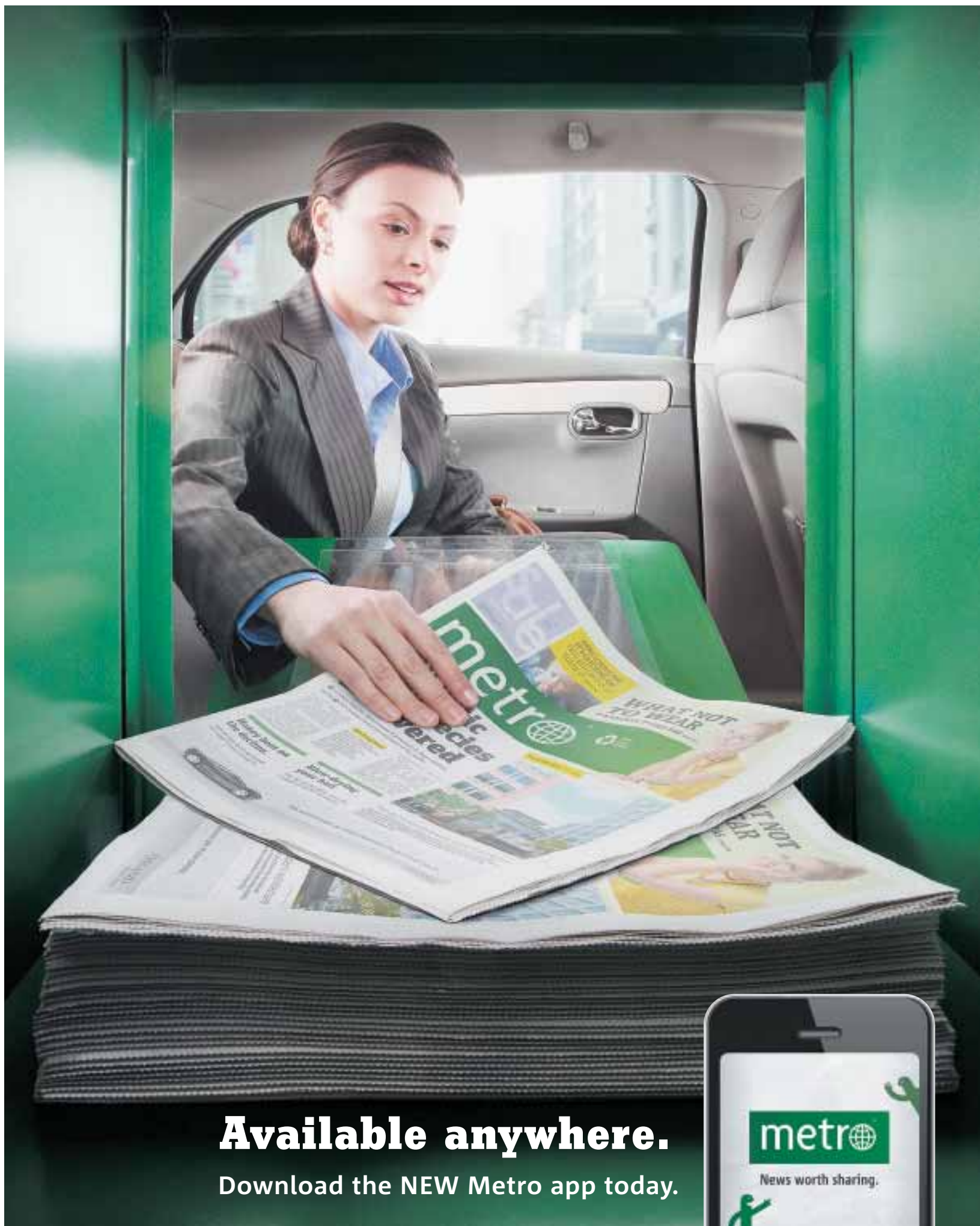
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It's expensive to be a tourist in a town that's hosting two of the biggest events of the new year — Mardi Gras and the NFL Super Bowl — but New Orleans has plenty of free things to do. The nearly 300-year-old French city has walkable neighbourhoods and scenic public parks dotted with centuries-old oak trees draped in Spanish moss, along with a free ferry and historic market.

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### Mardi Gras and Bourbon Street

New Orleans is perhaps best-known for hosting one of the biggest free parties in the world: Mardi Gras. The Carnival season includes parades with costumed riders, marching bands and decorated floats, but it only lasts a few weeks. Visitors can get a taste of the madness and revelry of Carnival any time of year on Bourbon Street, the city's most famous thoroughfare, where scantily-clad women beckon patrons from strip club doorways and beads are flung from balconies to revellers down below year-round. It's also a hot spot for live music, which spills out onto the street from clubs with doors and windows flung open. And finally, Bourbon Street is the one place where a costume can be flaunted any time of year.

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## Free things to do in New Orleans



### Jackson Square

Artists painting on canvas, clowns making balloon animals, street performers and jazz musicians are among the free entertainment to be found in Jackson Square, a one-block section of the French Quarter anchored by a lush green space with benches set amid gardens and grand oak trees. The square is bordered by pedestrian-only walkways with restaurants, storefronts and upper-level balconies boasting decorative ironwork. Benches allow visitors to take in the architecture of the square's historic buildings, including the Cabildo and Pontalba Apartments, believed to be among the oldest apartment buildings in the country. Visitors are also welcome at St. Louis Cathedral, a place of worship for Catholics since the 1720s. [jackson-square.com](http://jackson-square.com)

### City Park

City Park is the largest green space in New Orleans, with more than 1,300 acres of gardens, lagoons and walking trails set amid centuries-old oak trees draped in Spanish moss and filled with birds. The New Orleans Museum of Art is located in the park, and while there's a fee to enter the museum, just beyond the museum are dozens of art objects you can see for free in the Sydney and Walda Besthoff Sculpture Garden. The sculptures, valued at more than \$25 million, can be viewed in a relaxing setting that includes meandering footpaths, pedestrian bridges and reflecting lagoons. Among the artists represented are Antoine Bourdelle, Gaston Lachaise, Henry Moore, Jacques Lipchitz, Barbara Hepworth and Seymour Chwast. [neworleanscitypark.com](http://neworleanscitypark.com)

### Mississippi River Ferry

A boat ride is one of the best ways to get a look at the New Orleans skyline and the Mississippi River's daily parade of river barges, steamships and cruise ships. The Algiers Point ferry, which has been in operation since the early 1800s, is free to pedestrians. It runs every 30 minutes between the landing at the foot of Canal Street near the Aquarium of the Americas and the historic Algiers Point neighbourhood directly across the river from the French Quarter. Algiers Point, established in 1719, boasts a trove of historic Victorian-style homes, magnolia tree-lined streets with several parks, cafés, historic churches and bars with live music. But perhaps its best feature is an unobstructed view of the city's skyline and river traffic.

### French Market

The smell of sweet pralines and freshly-brewed coffee wafts through the air of the New Orleans French Market. The centuries-old commercial hub stretches for several city blocks along the banks of the Mississippi River in the French Quarter and includes Cafe du Monde, home of the deep-fried, sugar-coated beignet, a popular New Orleans pastry. The market is a mix of open-air retail spaces dotted with produce stands and enclosed stores carrying specialty clothing and jewelry. It's an ideal destination for window shopping and people watching. The French Market dates to 1791 and was originally the site of a Native American trading post. European immigrants traded there, as did African-Americans selling coffee, pralines and calas.

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# Mardi Gras brings baby dolls back

**Century-old tradition.**  
Fat Tuesday's  
garter-clad women  
get their own exhibit

The "baby dolls," an on-again, off-again Mardi Gras tradition of New Orleans' African-American community, are on again.

The troupes of women strutting and prancing in bonnets, garters and skimpy or short, ruffled dresses on Fat Tuesday also are being spotlighted in a new book and museum exhibit that trace their history and modern rebirth.

When the predominantly African-American Zulu krewe hits the streets on Fat Tuesday — Feb. 12 — its marchers will include the Baby Doll Ladies, a troupe formed after hurricane Katrina. They play tambourines and cowbells to accompany their dance, a hip-hop style called bounce.

Though Mardi Gras celebrations date from the city's French founding in 1718, historians say the baby doll tradition started in 1912 when African American prostitutes who worked just outside the legal red-light district, called Storyville, dressed up on Mardi Gras to outdo their legal rivals.

Storyville was closed in 1917, but the baby doll costumes caught on and survived for decades in African-American neighbourhoods.

In the years of segregation, blacks celebrated Carnival in their neighbourhoods with informal parades of the brightly feathered and beaded Mardi Gras Indians, picnics and parties centred around the floats of the Zulu parade and costume traditions such as the baby dolls.

The end of segregation in the 1950s and '60s — and new economic opportunities — brought new avenues for African-Americans to participate in Mardi Gras. Debutante presentations at gala

balls and more traditional float parades sprung up. And the revival of Lundi Gras celebrations the day before Mardi Gras brought together the monarch of the predominantly white Rex krewe to meet with the king of Zulu to toast the coming festival.

As times changed, the baby doll tradition faded.

But not everyone forgot the dolls, or what they meant to Carnival in New Orleans.

One new group — the 504 Eloquent Baby Dolls of New Orleans, named in part for a telephone area code — will march with a tribe of Mardi Gras Indians and the Skull and Bones club, maskers clad as skeletons in another revived black tradition.

"I've got a wonderful group of women who want to educate our youth, who want to bring our culture back to the streets of New Orleans," said Denise Trepagnier, a heavy crane operator and part-time seamstress who organized the group.

Around New Orleans



The baby doll tradition began in 1912 when African American, illegal prostitutes would dress up to outdo their legal rivals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Quoted

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504 Eloquent Baby Dolls organizer Denise Trepagnier

neighbourhoods, you might catch a glimpse of other baby doll troupes with names like the Gold Digger Baby Dolls, the Treme Million Dollar Baby Dolls and the Ernie K-Doe Baby Dolls.

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# Dried Apricot and Cherry Salsa makes perfect sidekick for turkey



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Most supermarkets now sell boneless turkey breast, which is leaner than chicken. A 3 1/2-ounce serving of chicken

## Ingredients

- 4 turkey scaloppini
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- Salsa**
- 1/4 cup chopped dried apricots
- 1/4 cup dried cranberries
- 1 cup diced red bell pepper
- 1/3 cup diced green onions, white part only
- 1 tsp crushed fresh garlic
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- 3 tbsp apricot jam
- 1 tbsp pure maple syrup
- 1 tsp Dijon mustard
- 2 tsp apple cider vinegar or freshly squeezed lemon juice
- Garnish**
- 3 tbsp chopped cilantro or parsley

has about 140 calories and 3 grams of fat, while the same amount of turkey breast has 120 calories and 1 gram of fat!

If you can't find these cutlets, ask your grocer to slice boneless breast into scaloppini. Dusting it with flour keeps the turkey moist and dried fruit salsa is an ideal accompaniment.

Serve the scaloppini over Sweet Potato Mash, with grilled vegetables alongside.

**1.** Dust the turkey with flour. Spray a non-stick grill pan or skillet with cooking oil, add the vegetable oil and heat to medium. Sauté the turkey just until browned on both sides and no longer pink, about 8 minutes in total. Remove from the heat and keep covered.

**2.** To make the salsa, combine the apricots, cranberries, bell pepper, green onion, garlic, cilantro, jam, maple syrup, mustard and lemon juice.

**3.** Spoon the salsa over the turkey and garnish with cilantro or parsley. **ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN (WHITECAP BOOKS) BY ROSE REISMAN**

**Turkey Scaloppini with Apricot and Dried Cherry Salsa**



**This recipe serves four.** BRIAN MACDONALD, FROM ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE KITCHEN (WHITECAP BOOKS)

## Drink of the Week

### Frostbite

A mix of tequila, crème de cacao and blue curacao shaken with milk and garnished with maraschino cherries, this is the type of frostbite you'll want to get.

- 1 oz Jose Cuervo Silver Tequila
- .5 oz White Crème de Cacao
- .5 oz Blue Curacao
- 1 oz milk
- Garnish with cherries

Shake all ingredients with ice in shaker. Strain contents over fresh ice. Garnish with 2 cherries on a sword. Add a cocktail straw and serve.

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# Turkey Meatball Grinders: soy residue never tasted so good



**This recipe serves four.** MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mmmm. Nothing says good eats like soy residue.

Except that in Chinese cooking, it really can. And you very likely have enjoyed that soy residue with hoisin, a classic ingredient for sauces.

Hoisin is a thick, dark red-to-brown sauce that blends sweet-spicy-savoury flavours, a profile not all that different from ketchup.

It is made from the leftover mash of fermented soy beans produced when making traditional soy sauces.

That mash is combined with sugar, chilies, garlic, vinegar, salt, sometimes five-spice powder and either flour or cornstarch (to thicken).

**1.** Heat oven to 425 F. Coat baking sheet with cooking spray.

**2.** In bowl, combine egg, cilantro, scallions, garlic, ginger, lime zest, hoisin and 1/2 tablespoon salt. Mix well. Add turkey, then knead well with your hands until evenly mixed. Add the breadcrumbs and mix again. Form mix into 20 balls.

**3.** In skillet over medium-high, melt 2 tablespoons of butter. Add half of the meatballs and brown on all sides, 5 mins. Transfer to the prepared baking

sheet, then repeat with the remaining butter and meatballs.

**4.** Bake the meatballs for 7 to 8 minutes, or until cooked through and a thermometer inserted at the centre of a meatball reads 165 F.

**5.** Meanwhile, in a small bowl mix the tomatoes, Crème fraîche, hot sauce and 1/2 teaspoon of salt. Spread a quarter of the mixture down the centre of each sub roll. When the meatballs are done, arrange 5 in each roll. Serve immediately.

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## Ingredients

- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 scallions, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tbsp grated fresh ginger
- Zest of 1 lime
- 1/4 cup hoisin
- Salt
- 1 1/3 lbs ground turkey
- 3/4 cup panko (Japanese-style) breadcrumbs
- 4 tbsp butter, divided
- 2 plum tomatoes, diced
- 1/2 cup crème fraîche
- 1 tsp hot sauce
- Four 6-inch sub rolls

## Lunch. Smoky Turkey Burgers with Manchego



**1.** Heat a grill to medium. Oil the grates, or coat them with cooking spray. You can also use an indoor grill.

**2.** In a large bowl, whisk together the egg, garlic powder, mustard powder, paprika, black pepper and salt. Set aside.

**3.** In a food processor, combine the turkey and prosciutto. Pulse until the meat is well chopped but still chunky, about 10 seconds total. Scrape the sides of the bowl and pulse again if any large pieces remain unchopped.

**4.** Transfer the meat to the bowl with the egg mixture, then mix well. Form the meat into 4 loose patties. They will be moist and not hold together well.

**5.** Use a spatula to carefully

place the burgers on the grill and cook, covered, for 4 to 5 minutes. Flip the burgers — they should be firm enough to move easily now — and cook for another 4 to 5 minutes, or until they read 165 F at the centre. If using an indoor grill, grill each side for about 6 minutes. Top each burger with a quarter of the cheese, then serve on a bun. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Ingredients

- 1 large egg
- 1/2 tsp each garlic powder, mustard powder, smoked paprika, ground black pepper
- Pinch kosher salt
- 1 1/4 lbs turkey tenderloin, cut into large chunks
- 2 oz prosciutto
- 4 hamburger buns
- 4 oz manchego cheese



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## What a prospect!

Dreaming of a post that will let you pursue your passion for travel? Mining may be the field for you

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As a recruiter, I've searched for professionals to fill roles with clients across the globe, in a wide variety of industries.

One industry has truly stood out in terms of the opportunities it presents to work abroad: mining.

I've encountered mining engineers who have been able to work their way around the world on amazing projects in the most remote corners of the earth.

If you are looking to experience different countries and cultures, you should



Dig deep and ask yourself: is this the right career for you? FLICKR / RICK MCCHARLES

consider a career in mining! You can certainly work for the head office of a mining company without leav-

ing the confines of big cities like Toronto, Vancouver and Calgary. But if Bay Street isn't your style, a mining career could be your ticket to adventure in remote, rugged locations both in Canada and abroad.

For example, Canadian mining company Teck Resources has mine sites from the Red Dog zinc-lead mine in northwestern Alaska, to the Quebrada Blanca mine in northern Chile. Goldcorp's largest operation is their Red Lake site in northern Ontario, but their operations also span to multiple sites in Mexico, if you prefer sun over snowshoes.

As you may suspect, mining companies often hire young professionals with backgrounds in engineering and geology, but those are not the only opportunities to make a career in the industry.

Long before mines are producing tons of precious metals per day, there are thousands of workers required to create the budgets, do the legal legwork and bring the mine into production.

Often, mining companies will hire surveyors, engineers and geologists for a few years to support the design and build of a mine, and then they'll move on to a different project.

These lucky folks get to travel around the world and spend a few years in Australia before moving onto their next project in Panama. When the mine is actually operational, all sorts of support staff to keep the mine operations running

## Up for an adventure?

**"Canadian mining company Teck Resources has mine sites from the Red Dog zinc-lead mine in northwestern Alaska, to the Quebrada Blanca mine in northern Chile."**

Ashleigh Trahan

smoothly — health and safety experts, information technology professionals, and skilled trades, to name a few.

So, even if you're looking to launch a career in hu-

man resources, for example, there are opportunities for you in the mining industry.

Working in remote locations and new countries may present challenges that working in a cubicle may not (like being a few hundred kilometres from the nearest Starbucks), it also provides the opportunity to be exposed to new cultures while gaining experience in an exciting and innovative industry.

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## Here's the drill

### How does one land an overseas job in mining?

- Research mining companies on TalentEgg. Many Canadian mining companies offer new grad programs that allow for rotations across the country and internationally, so do some research on which new grad programs would be best for you and apply!
- If you want to track down information on where in the world you could work, a quick search will help you dig up all sorts of mining knowledge. Interested in surface mines, or would you prefer underground? You can find out which specific types of mine operations are out there, where they're located and who owns them.

Once you've done all your research, updated your passport and applied to jobs that are of interest to you in your choice exotic locale, here are some things to keep in mind while you're trying to land your overseas job:

- Getting a job in Canada can sometimes take weeks or months, so expect that an overseas job will take longer. Time zone differences can make scheduling interviews a real challenge. Be accommodating with your recruiting contacts.
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## Don't delay the discovery of your potential

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When I finished high school last summer, I was planning to go to post-secondary school the next winter and I thought everything would be fine.

My plan for the summer was to spend as much time with my friends as possible, because they were going off to university in the fall and I also was searching for a job. When September came around and all my friends headed off to university, it was lonely, but I needed to continue with my job search.

Due to my indecisiveness, I chose not to pursue the program I registered for and opted for taking a year off to work. So I started up my job search again. I sat down at the computer and just Googled all the stores and companies I could think of and just sent them my resumé.

I got two interviews, one I thought went pretty well and the other, not so much. I've gotten emails back saying they'll look at my profile/resumé and they'll be in touch, but no one got in touch.

After a while, I felt like no one had seen my resumé or even cared to look because I didn't have much experience.

Well, how can I gain experience if no one would give me a chance? But I kept looking and I'm still looking. I'm not sure if it's my resumé or my interview skills (even though I've only been in two my whole life) but, who knows. Practice makes perfect.



Rainee Nelson isn't giving up on her job search. PROVIDED

**Calm equals confidence**

"Making someone else feel comfortable as well will make the whole interview process a lot easier, I believe."

Rainee Nelson

**What I'm doing now**

Right now I'm still currently looking for a job and I'm considering doing some internship work. Maybe that could add to my experience.

**My recommendations for employers, career centres and schools**

I haven't had enough experience to give a recommendation, but from the last interview I had I would say to the employers: make the interviewee as comfortable as possible. How are you going to get to know someone and see if they are up for the job if you can see them fumbling over their words, constantly moving around and downright being a nervous wreck? Making someone else feel comfortable as well will make the whole interview process a lot easier, I believe.

**My advice for other students and recent graduates**

My advice would be don't leave it to the last minute. Do your research, have someone look over your resumé and just go for it. If you truly want something, take risks and see what happens. Don't be lazy or procrastinate or you'll end up in the same position as I am.

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A shortage of talent threatens to delay, downsize and even cancel mining projects around the world.

In Canada, where 40 per cent of the mining workforce is set to retire within the next 10 years, finding and hiring a skilled worker is like striking gold.

That's good news for ambitious entry-level workers hoping to climb up the corporate ladder, says Andrew Pollard, president of Vancouver-based executive search firm The Mining Recruitment Group.

This includes people in scientific roles like geologists and engineers, those responsible for operational functions like equipment operators and tradespeople, and traditional support staff like analysts and lawyers.

As a recent grad, you can set yourself apart from your co-workers and become a leader in your organization by doing these three things during your first five years:

**Be really good at what you were hired to do**

"If you were hired as a geologist, being a good geologist should be your main focus," Pollard says.

Before you think about promotions and career advancement, it's important to show your boss that you're committed to excelling in your current role.

**Diversify your skills**

Once you get a handle on your primary function, Pollard recommends that you become familiar with other aspects of the mining business.

"Look for opportunities beyond your job title in investor relations or as a company spokesperson at conferences and tradeshow," he says.



Women now make up 18.6 per cent of the Canadian mining workforce, according to a 2011 Carleton University report. ISTOCK

One of the ways mining workers can diversify their skills is by enrolling in the Canadian Securities Course. On the other hand, workers who lack technical skills could consider enrolling in a mining-related training program.

**Look for a mentor and be open to being mentored**

"Find someone who really likes mentoring people and soak up as much information as you can," Pollard says.

The same goes if you're in an operational or supporting role. Reach out to someone

you admire, who is accessible and whose leadership style you want to emulate.

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# Rupert twins turn full focus to Knights

**OHL.** With high school out of the way, gritty pair intent on helping London regain form for playoff stretch



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The twins are on the loose.

London Knights brothers Ryan and Matt Rupert are done their studies at Saunders Secondary School.

"It felt good," said Matt — through a toothless grin — referring to the completion of his last exam on Tuesday. "School is not my favourite thing to do, so it's a really happy day for me."

The scrappy pair from Grand Bend have no plans to pursue post-secondary education in the near future. Which means more time to dedicate to fulfilling their gritty roles on the 39-9-1-2 Knights.

Ryan was sidelined this past weekend after the Ontario Hockey League handed him a three-game suspension for verbal abuse of an official. Matt picked up the family slack, however, scoring a couple, including the game-winner, in a 3-2 win in Kingston on Sunday.

The Knights demolished the Ottawa 67's, 11-1, in the opening game of its three-game eastern swing, but dropped a 3-1 decision to the Bulls in Belleville on Saturday.

"Sitting in the stands is tough, but two out of three we will take," said Ryan, a Toronto Maple Leafs draft pick. "Our work ethic and play wasn't where we want it to be, so we'll fix that up this week."

The last two times London



Knights forward Ryan Rupert, left, chats with his twin, Matt, at practice on Tuesday. JOHN MATISZ/METRO

## Late night in Kingston

### Knights brew up trouble

A group of London Knights players created quite the headache for the coaching staff — and a fellow hotel tenant — this past weekend.

On Saturday morning, police were called to the hotel they were staying at in Kingston after a woman, Laurie-Anne Manel, complained of rowdy behaviour the night prior.

No charges were laid. Manel's daughter missed a fencing match Saturday,

and placed the blame on the Knights.

London assistant general manager Rob Simpson acknowledges the players were "roughhousing" while coaches were away from the hotel scouting a game. He later apologized to hotel staff and Manel on behalf of the team.

"They weren't acting appropriately and we are very sorry for what happened," Simpson said.

The Knights held a team meeting to address the situation. They have decided to discipline internally.

has been on the positive side of a blowout — a 10-5 win over Ottawa on Jan. 11, and the

whooping of the same team last Thursday — they've stumbled the next time out. This

includes the loss in Belleville, where the Knights mustered a mere 23 shots on Malcolm Subban.

"Realistically, we're in first, so it would be easy to coast. But, we want to turn it around," said Matt of the club's mediocre 3-4 record since the trade deadline. "We had a bad January, so we want to start pumping it up before playoffs."

London got 15 goals from eight players in three games last week. Now at 208, the Knights are the first team to hit the 200-goal plateau this season.

Unlike the beginning of the year, the Knights have been getting plenty of production from their secondary scoring lines lately. The truculent Ruperts are a huge part of that, having recorded 15 (Ryan) and 12 (Matt) points each in their last 10 times in the lineup.

## MLB

### A-Rod says latest PED accusations 'not true'

Alex Rodriguez denied a newspaper report that accused him of buying human growth hormone and other performance-enhancing substances from a Miami-area clinic.

The Miami New Times, an alternative weekly, reported Tuesday it had obtained records detailing purchases by Rodriguez and Toronto outfielder Melky Cabrera, among other baseball players, from a clinic run by Anthony Bosch.

Rodriguez admitted four years ago that he used PEDs from 2001 to 2003.

"The news report about a purported relationship between Alex Rodriguez and Anthony Bosch are not true," Rodriguez said in a statement issued by a publicist. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## X-Games

### Family doubtful of snowmobiler's survival after crash

Snowmobiler Caleb Moore was in critical condition Tuesday in a Colorado hospital after a dramatic crash at the X Games.

Moore was performing a flip Thursday when he clipped the top of a jump and went over the handlebars and landed face first into the snow. The snowmobile rolled over him, but he walked off with help and went to a hospital with a concussion. Moore later developed bleeding around his head.

"Caleb is not doing good at all," Caleb's grandfather Charles Moore told The Denver Post. "The prognosis is not good at all. It's almost certain he's not going to make it."

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# Subban deal gets chilly response from Habs

It wasn't exactly smiles and high fives in the Montreal Canadiens dressing room on Tuesday with the news that P.K. Subban's contract dispute had finally ended.

In fact, the mood was surprisingly chilly from a team that started the shortened NHL season 3-1-0 without their top defenceman from last season.

Subban signed a two-year \$5.75 million US contract Monday night and will rejoin the club Wednesday in Ottawa.

Veteran rearguard Andrei Markov refused to talk about it, saying "He's not in the room yet, so let's talk about it when he's going to be in the room."

## Quoted

**"I've never had to deal with a holdout situation, a guy coming in late, so we'll take it in stride."**

Habs defenceman Josh Gorges on P.K. Subban

And Josh Gorges, Subban's regular defence partner, steered around questions.

"To be honest, I'm glad that we don't have to talk about it any more," said Gorges. "It's a non-issue now and we can focus on getting ready to play the games without anything else to think about."

Asked if he was glad to have Subban back, Gorges said: "It's good that it's over and done with and it's settled. We don't have to have these talks in the morning of what-if-this and what-if-that."

Often, when a player signs a contract, there are a flood of congratulatory tweets, but this time there were only a couple from players who were not on the Canadiens last season.

After inking his deal, the 23-year-old Subban said he couldn't wait to "reintegrate" with the team.

But it appears he has some work to do with his teammates.

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P.K. Subban takes a breather during a skate at the Mastercard Centre for Hockey Excellence in Toronto on Jan. 9. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

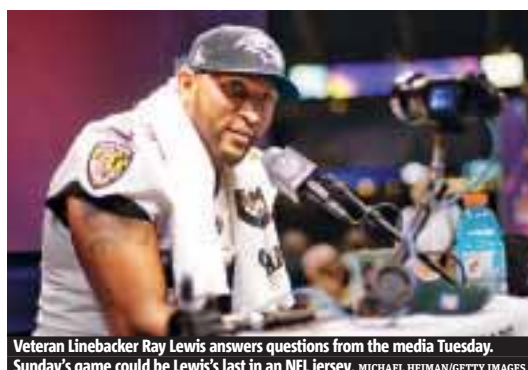




San Francisco 49ers defensive tackle Will Tukuafu flexes his muscles with reporter Karim Mendiburu during media day for Super Bowl XLVII Tuesday in New Orleans. The San Francisco 49ers will take on the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday at the Mercedes-Benz Superdome. DAVID J. PHILLIP/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A shot of 49ers QB Colin Kaepernick's tattoos. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Veteran Linebacker Ray Lewis answers questions from the media Tuesday. Sunday's game could be Lewis's last in an NFL jersey. MICHAEL HEIMAN/GETTY IMAGES

## Desjardins to be Ottawa's new GM: CFL source

Marcel Desjardins is getting a second shot at being a CFL general manager.

A CFL source requesting anonymity said Ottawa Sports and Entertainment Group will name Desjardins the new GM of the city's CFL expansion franchise.

The announcement will be made Wednesday at a news conference.

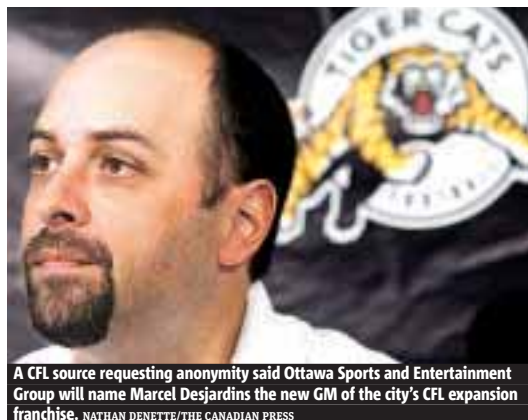
Desjardins, a native of Burlington, Ont., has spent the last four seasons as the Montreal Alouettes assistant general manager. He was the GM of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in 2007 before returning to Montreal.

Overall, Desjardins has spent nine seasons as the assistant to Alouettes general manager Jim Popp.

The hiring of Desjardins in Ottawa is hardly a surprise, as he's been mentioned as a leading candidate for the GM post for roughly the last eight months.

It's the second significant blow this off-season to the Alouettes football operations department. Earlier this month, head coach Marc Trestman left Montreal to become head coach of the NFL's Chicago Bears.

Desjardins also spent time working in the CFL's head office in Toronto from 1994 to



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### A history of pigskin

The Ottawa football club began play in 1876 and did so until 1996, winning nine Grey Cup titles during its tenure before folding.

1999.

The Ottawa franchise is slated to begin play in 2014, and Desjardins will have plenty of work ahead of him.

Ottawa will select four NCAA underclassmen in this

year's CFL draft before participating in December in a three-round expansion draft of players made available from the existing eight clubs. Then, in 2014, the club will take part in the league's Canadian college draft.

Ottawa has been without a CFL franchise since 2006, when the Renegades were suspended by the league after four seasons because of financial instability. The Renegades were born seven years after the storied Ottawa Rough Riders folded operations.

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## Veteran receivers will have second shot at title ring

**Super Bowl media day.** Niners' Moss and Ravens' Boldin both trying to put tough championship losses behind them

Randy Moss used to be a star. Now, he's just an afterthought with the San Francisco 49ers.

It's a role he's still struggling to accept.

Moss spent much of his career as one of the NFL's top receivers. During Super Bowl media day on Tuesday, he called himself "the greatest receiver ever to do it." That's a claim sure to be debated in NFL circles.

One thing is certain: the 35-year-old Moss is no longer an elite receiver. This season with the 49ers he caught just 28 passes for 434 yards and three touchdowns.

While Moss says he "doesn't understand" being a blocker and a decoy, he's willing to accept his new status if that's what it takes to win his first Super Bowl.

On the other side of the field will be Anquan Boldin, who wants to be known as more than simply a tough receiver.

The 32-year-old, a key player in Baltimore's charge to the Super Bowl, isn't afraid to cut across the field. He can shrug off a hard hit, and also is an aggressive downfield blocker.

Asked Tuesday if he appreciates his reputation as one of the toughest receivers in the league, Boldin replied, "I look at it as, I'm a football player. Not so much a receiver."

Oh, but the man can catch the ball. He's scored three touchdowns in three playoff games, and now he's hoping for a Super Bowl ring after coming up short in 2008 with Arizona.



Randy Moss told media on Tuesday that he is the "greatest receiver ever" to play in the NFL. DAVID J. PHILLIP/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Moss also came up short just a year earlier after the 2007 season, when the New England Patriots lost to the New York Giants after an undefeated season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### New agreement

**Bills will continue to call Rogers Centre their second home**

The Buffalo Bills and Rogers Media announced a new agreement Friday that will keep Rogers Centre as the team's second home.

Buffalo will play one regular-season game at the home of the Toronto Blue Jays for the next five years, and the new contract also includes one preseason game in 2015.

The existing five-year deal — which was worth \$78 million — expired when Seattle posted a 50-17 win over Buffalo on Dec. 16. But an extension had long been expected despite lingering attendance problems. Only 40,770 fans attended the Seahawks' win, far short of a sellout. Some 53,000 fans had been expected.

It was not a good day for the Bills all around. With 5:20 left in the game, fans in one end zone began chanting "Let's Go Blue Jays!"

Buffalo is just 1-4 in regular-season games in Toronto, and some players have spoken out about the deal, worried that taking away a home game from the Buffalo region is somewhat counterproductive.

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## Scotties. Ontario skip to have home-ice advantage versus defending champ

There will be rising stars, familiar faces and veteran curlers in the field at next month's Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

Several top rinks recently qualified for the 12-team competition at Kingston's K-Rock Centre. Alberta's Heather Nedohin is back to defend her title and she'll be challenged by Manitoba's Jennifer Jones, B.C.'s Kelly Scott, Mary-Anne Arsenault of Nova Scotia and Suzanne Birt of Prince Edward Island.

Ontario's Rachel Homan has enjoyed a successful season and will get a boost from the home crowd at the Feb. 16-24 event. The Ottawa skip, who won the national junior title in 2010, will be making her second Scotties appearance.

The Northwest Territories/Yukon entry will be led by Kerry Galusha, who will be

### Added pressure

**"I know what it's like to play against Team Canada — everybody raises their game ... But that also raises our game."**

Alberta's Heather Nedohin on the additional pressure that comes with wearing the Maple Leaf jersey as the Team Canada entry.



Alberta skip Heather Nedohin calls a shot during a gold medal draw at the 2012 Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Red Deer, Alta. Nedohin will get the chance to defend her title on Feb. 16. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

competing in her 11th Canadian championship. Kristie Moore will skip the Alberta rink and Allison Ross will guide the Quebec side.

Saskatchewan's Jill Shumay and Newfoundland and Labrador's Stacie Devereaux are also in the field. New Brunswick's entry will be confirmed Sunday.

Shumay is making her tournament debut while Ross and Moore are skipping at the Scotties for the first time.

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# 2013 Buick Verano Turbo



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## Fuel economy

Fuel economy with the manual gearbox is 10.2 l/100 km in the city and 6.3 on the highway (10.1/6.6 for the automatic), numbers that differ only slightly from the base Verano's 9.9/6.2 rating. To handle the power, the Turbo receives a unique steering calibration and a suspension that's 20 per cent firmer.



The engine is a two litre with 250 hp.

## 2013 Buick Verano Turbo

- **Type.** Four-door entry-luxury compact sedan
- **Engine (hp).** 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (250)
- **Transmission.** Six-speed automatic; six-speed manual
- **Base price (incl. destination).** \$32,400

## Engine

Enter the Verano Turbo that puts out 250 horsepower from its 2.0-litre four-cylinder. More importantly, the engine makes 260 pound-feet of torque, with 90 per cent of it available from between 1,750 and 5,500 revs per minute. That's only 20 horses and 10 pound-feet shy of the larger (and heavier) Buick Regal GS.

## Power

Buick claims the Turbo will accelerate to 60 m.p.h. (96 km/h) from rest in slightly more than six seconds, which is right in line with comparable premium brands from Audi and BMW that Buick holds up as performance benchmarks. It's also half a second quicker than the 270-horsepower Regal GS.

**Review.** Dressed for the ball but wearing sneakers ... fast sneakers

**MALCOLM GUNN**

Wheelbase Media

Buick's grand plan is in full swing and it appears to be ac-

tually working.

Just what is the plan, you ask? Well, it involves downsizing the line and injecting it with more style and less mass. And baptizing all models in a fountain of youth.

They also run on smaller, fuel-frugal power plants that offer as much as or greater performance than previous models. The plan includes en-

hancing the luxury-car experience to match or exceed the premium import brands.

The Lacrosse and Regal already fall into this strategy, as does the Verano, which was new for 2012. However for the 2013 model year the smallest Buick sedan is literally stepping up the pace with an optional — and significantly more powerful —

turbo-charged model.

The sense here is that Buick needed to add some premium power for the Verano to be considered in the same sport-sedan league as BMW, Audi and Mercedes-Benz, and not be viewed as an afterthought brand. With its more mature customer base shrinking over the years, reinvention and rejuvenation has become a matter of survival. Outwardly, the Turbo varies only slightly from the regular-strength Verano with dual exhaust outlets, subtle rear spoiler and trunk lid

badge. Elegant is better here, for sure.

The fact that the only significant Turbo options are a navigation system and a power sunroof underscores how well the car lines up with other luxury-leaning compacts vying for your dollars.

The overall attractiveness of the Verano, coupled with the rapid-fire authority of its high-output turbo, makes it worthy of its Euro-based peers and for less money in most cases.

You have to love it when a plan comes together.

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## Horoscopes

### Aries

**March 21 - April 20**

The important thing today is that you focus your energy in a single direction. Because if you have more than one target, you will reduce your chances of success. What is your number one goal? Make it your only goal.

### Taurus

**April 21 - May 21**

You may be under the impression that if you don't grab what is being offered, you will miss out or fall behind. That isn't true. You will be more of a success in the long-term if you slow down a bit now.

### Gemini

**May 22 - June 21**

Jupiter, planet of good fortune, turns direct in your sign today. So there is no reason at all why you should hold back, and every reason why you should surge ahead of the pack. Show your rivals what real speed looks like.

### Cancer

**June 22 - July 23**

Be careful what you say to colleagues and employers today because if they feel you are being unfair, they may turn against you. If you have to be blunt at least make sure what you say is factually true.

### Leo

**July 24 - Aug. 23**

You won't hesitate to point out other people's faults today. In fact once you start, you may find it hard to stop. That's OK but don't forget it works both ways: Expect to have a few of your own failings highlighted.

### Virgo

**Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**

Jupiter, planet of abundance, turns direct in the rewards and reputation area of your chart, so good things are sure to come your way. Don't worry if that seems to upset some people. They're jealous of your success.

### Libra

**Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**

You can afford to be optimistic and you can afford to believe that the risks you take will pay off — mostly, they will. But even when they occasionally go wrong, it won't be a big deal. You're a winner.

### Scorpio

**Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**

If you are told something of a privileged nature today, you must keep it to yourself. If you let everyone in on the secret you won't be confided in again. In fact, you may in future be the last one to know.

### Sagittarius

**Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**

This looks like an excellent day for partnerships, especially those of a romantic nature. Jupiter in your opposite sign of Gemini will wash away any issues you have with the person you love most.

### Capricorn

**Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**

You will get through tasks and chores, both at home and at work, in record quick time today. You're a whirlwind that can't be controlled! Remember though that it's not all about speed. Make a good job of what you do too.

### Aquarius

**Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**

Generally speaking, this is still one of the best times of the year for you. But with the Sun at right angles to Saturn today, you may need to watch your back. Do you have a secret enemy? Yes, it seems you do.

### Pisces

**Feb. 20 - March 20**

You are trying too hard to convince someone that you know what you are talking about. The more you try to persuade them, the more suspicious they get. But why do you need to convince them? Let your actions speak for you.

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## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

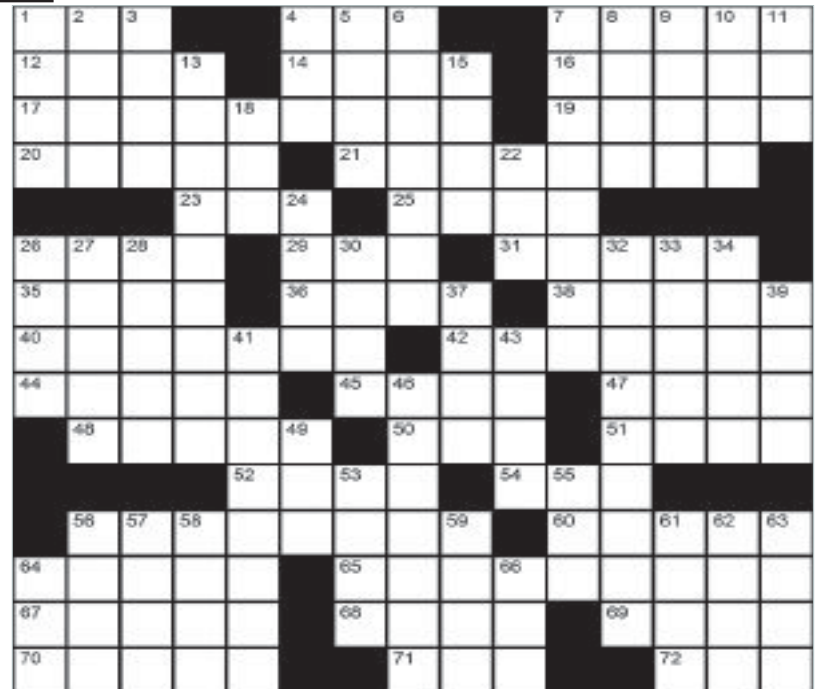
### Across

1. Incidentally, texting-style
4. Blueprint
7. Big earrings
12. Press
14. Ornamental case
16. 2004 Jude Law movie remake
17. "Sunglasses at Night" singer: 2 wds.
19. 10-cent pieces
20. Van Halen guitarist
21. Born-in-Toronto film legend Mary
23. \_\_\_ Angeles
25. Popular style of cooking
26. "Holy \_\_\_!"
29. Work \_\_\_ sweat: 2 wds.
31. V- and Crew
35. Protest song by #13-Down
36. Laundry fuzz
38. "Dancing with the Stars" alum Ms. Ali
40. Vancouver players
42. Batman foe, The \_\_\_
44. Rock gig venue
45. Cosmetics company
47. "The Sopranos" actor, Robert \_\_\_

48. Type of cow
50. TGIF part
51. Back muscles, to a bodybuilder
52. Not found
54. "Voices Carry" by '\_\_\_ Tuesday
56. Airfield in Afghanistan
60. Nova Scotia's \_\_\_ Trail
64. More wise
65. Victoria-born artist: 2 wds.
67. 'The Hub' of Nova Scotia
68. "White Flag" songstress
69. Place
70. Designer Calvin
71. Fresh
72. "For shame!"

### Down

1. "American Idol" alum Bo
2. Step heavily
3. Microsoft program
4. "Not impressed."
5. \_\_\_ on the shoulder
6. Prude



7. Canadian astronaut Chris
8. Hodgepodge
9. "Being for the Benefit \_\_\_ Kite!" by The Beatles
10. \_\_\_ Piper
11. The Outsiders author Ms. Hinton's
13. Crosby, Stills & Nash bandmate, at times: 2 wds.
15. "The Seven Year \_\_\_" (1955)
18. Royal officer, for short
22. The Sunflower State [abbr.]
24. Pout
26. Dominican Republic city
27. Canadian actress Catherine

28. Classic fabric
30. Famous Tower
32. Cars like Elvis' pink one
33. Harper Lee's To \_\_\_ Mockingbird
34. Rain/snow mix
37. Horse speed
39. Train stn. postings
41. Olympics symbol in Vancouver
43. Research facil.
46. Multi-\_\_\_
49. "\_\_\_ guy walks into..." (Classic joke intro)
53. Backyard storage
55. Glacial

56. Mr. Malden
57. Fluish feeling
58. Italian saint, Philip \_\_\_
59. Amusement park feature
61. Decoy
62. Bits of food
63. "Star \_\_\_
64. 'S' in NYSE, shortened
66. Unhigh

## Yesterday's Crossword



## Sudoku

### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

## Yesterday's Sudoku



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